# **Appendices**



## Appendix A

Notice of Preparation/Initial Study/Responses to NOP/ Scoping Meeting Notes





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**COMMUNITY & ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING** 

## **Notice of Preparation**

**TO:** Agencies, Organizations and Interested Parties

SUBJECT: Notice of Preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report in Compliance with

Title 14, Section 15082(a) of the California Code of Regulations

The City of Long Beach is the lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in the preparation of the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the project identified below. We request the view of your agency as to the scope and content of the environmental information relevant to your agency's statutory responsibilities in connection with the proposed project. Your agency will need to use the EIR prepared by the City when considering any permits that your agency must issue or for any other approval for the project.

**AGENCIES:** The City requests your agency's views on the scope and content of the environmental information relevant to your agency's statutory responsibilities in connection with the proposed project, in accordance with California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15082(b).

**ORGANIZATIONS AND INTERESTED PARTIES:** The City requests your comments and concerns regarding the environmental issues associated with construction and operation of the proposed project.

**PROJECT TITLE:** Seaport Marina

**PROJECT LOCATION:** The proposed project site consists of 10.9-acres located at the southwest corner of Pacific Coast Highway and E. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street near the Alamitos Bay Marina in the City of Long Beach. The project site is roughly bounded by 2<sup>nd</sup> Street to the north, Pacific Coast Highway to the east, a commercial center to the south and Marina Drive to the west. The site is currently developed with urban uses and is mainly occupied by the Seaport Marina Hotel.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The project applicant (Lennar Homes of California) is seeking entitlement to redevelop the site with mixed-uses consisting of approximately 425 residential units, and approximately 170,000 square feet of retail development. Demolition of the existing on-site buildings (164,736 square foot Seaport Marina Hotel) would be required to allow for development of the project.

The proposed residential and retail components would be primarily integrated with a mix of retail/commercial uses on the ground floor and residential uses above. Buildings would have a maximum height of 50 feet. The project would be oriented toward the ocean to maximize views and allow for visitor and residential access and linkages to the Marina and other area amenities. The project would be designed to be compatible with surrounding uses.

**POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS:** The attached Initial Study describes the potential environmental effects of the proposed project. An EIR will be prepared to evaluate the project's potential impacts on the environment and analyze alternatives.

**PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD:** The City has determined to make this Notice of Preparation (NOP) and Initial Study available for public review and comment pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15082(b). The comment period during which the City will receive comments on the proposed Initial Study is:

BEGINNING: Monday, May 16, 2005 ENDING: Wednesday, June 15, 2005 at 4:30pm

**RESPONSES AND COMMENTS:** Please indicate a contact person for your agency or organization and send your responses and comments to:

Angela Reynolds
Environmental Officer
City of Long Beach
Department of Planning and Building
333 W. Ocean Boulevard, 7th Floor
Long Beach, CA 90802

Or via E-mail to: Angela Reynolds@longbeach.gov

**SCOPING MEETING:** The City will hold a scoping meeting at the date and time listed below. You are welcome to attend and present environmental information that you believe should be addressed in the EIR:

DATE: Wednesday, May 25, 2005

TIME: 6:30pm to 8:30pm

LOCATION: Seal Beach Yacht Club

255 Marina Drive

Long Beach, CA 90803

**DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY:** The NOP and Initial Study are available for public review at the locations listed below during regular business hours:

- www.longbeach.gov/plan/pb/epd/er.asp
- Long Beach Main Library, 101 Pacific Avenue
- Long Beach Bay Shore Neighborhood Library, 195 Bay Shore Avenue
- Long Beach City Hall, 333 W. Ocean Blvd., 7<sup>th</sup> Floor

If you require additional information please contact Jill Griffiths at (562) 570-6191 or submit questions and comments by fax to (562) 579-6610.

## SEAPORT MARINA PROJECT

Initial Study

Prepared for: Department of Planning and Building 333 West Ocean Boulevard, Seventh Floor Long Beach, California 980802 May 2005





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## **SECTION 1**

## **Initial Study**

1. Project Title: Seaport Marina Project

2. Lead Agency Name and Address: City of Long Beach

Department of Planning and Building 333 West Ocean Boulevard, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor

Long Beach, CA 90802

3. Contact Person and Phone Number: Angela Reynolds

**Environmental Planning Officer** 

(562) 570-6357

**4. Project Location:** 6400 East Pacific Coast Highway and

6280 East 2<sup>nd</sup> Street

5. Project Sponsor's Name and Address: Lennar Homes of California

25 Enterprise, Suite 300-Land Aliso Viejo, CA 92656

**6. General Plan Designation:** LUD No. 7<sup>1</sup>

**7. Zoning:** PD-1 (Southeast Area Development

Improvement Plan), Subarea 172

#### 8. Description of Project:

The applicant, Lennar Homes of California, proposes to construct the Seaport Marina project, a mixed-use commercial and residential development (see Section 2 for detailed description).

#### 9. Surrounding Land Uses and Setting.

The project site is bounded by Pacific Coast Highway to the east, Marina Drive to the west, and 2nd Street to the north. Surrounding uses include a retail center and Mobil gas station to the east, City National Bank to the north, a City-owned parking lot to the west, and retail center to the south.

### 10. Other public agencies whose approval is required

California Coastal Commission

<sup>1</sup> City of Long Beach Department of Planning and Building, *Land Use Element of the Long Beach General Plan*, Revised and reprinted April 1997, page 169.

<sup>2</sup> City of Long Beach Department of Planning and Building, Zoning Ordinance (Title 21 of the City of Long Beach Municipal Code), January 4, 2005.

## **Environmental Factors Potentially Affected**

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	I find that the proposed project MAY have a "potentially significant impact" or "potentially significant unless mitigated" impact on the environment, but at least one effect 1) has been adequately analyzed in an earlier document pursuant to applicable legal standards, and 2) has been addressed by mitigation measures based on the earlier analysis as described on attached sheets. An ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required, but it must analyze only the effects that remain to be addressed.				
	I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, because all potentially significant effects (a) have been analyzed adequately in an earlier EIR or NEGATIVE DECLARATION pursuant to applicable standards, and (b) have been avoided or mitigated pursuant to that earlier EIR or NEGATIVE DECLARATION, including revisions or mitigation measures that are imposed upon the proposed project, nothing further is required.				
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## **Evaluation of Environmental Impacts**

- 1) A brief explanation is required for all answers except "No Impact" answers that are adequately supported by the information sources a lead agency cites in the parentheses following each question. A "No Impact" answer is adequately supported if the referenced information sources show that the impact simply does not apply to projects like the one involved (e.g., the project falls outside a fault rupture zone). A "No Impact" answer should be explained where it is based on project-specific factors as well as general standards (e.g., the project will not expose sensitive receptors to pollutants, based on a project-specific screening analysis).
- All answers must take account of the whole action involved, including off-site as well as onsite, cumulative as well as project-level, indirect as well as direct, and construction as well as operational impacts.
- Once the lead agency has determined that a particular physical impact may occur, then the checklist answers must indicate whether the impact is potentially significant, less than significant with mitigation, or less than significant. "Potentially Significant Impact" is appropriate if there is substantial evidence that an effect may be significant. If there are one or more "Potentially Significant Impact" entries when the determination is made, an EIR is required.
- "Negative Declaration: Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated" applies where the incorporation of mitigation measures has reduced an effect from "Potentially Significant Impact" to a "Less Than Significant Impact." The lead agency must describe the mitigation measures, and briefly explain how they reduce the effect to a less-than-significant level (mitigation measures from Section XVII, "Earlier Analyses," may be cross-referenced).
- Earlier analyses may be used where, pursuant to the tiering, program EIR, or other CEOA process, an effect has been adequately analyzed in an earlier EIR or negative declaration. Section 15063(c)(3)(D). In this case, a brief discussion should identify the following:
  - Earlier Analysis Used. Identify and state where they are available for review.
  - Impacts Adequately Addressed. Identify which effects from the above checklist were within the scope of and adequately analyzed in an earlier document pursuant to applicable legal standards, and state whether such effects were addressed by mitigation measures based on the earlier analysis.
  - Mitigation Measures. For effects that are "Less than Significant with Mitigation Measures Incorporated," describe the mitigation measures which were incorporated or refined from the earlier document and the extent to which they address sitespecific conditions for the project.
- 6) Lead agencies are encouraged to incorporate into the checklist references to information sources for potential impacts (e.g., general plans, zoning ordinances). Reference to a previously prepared or outside document should, where appropriate, include a reference to the page or pages where the statement is substantiated.

## **SECTION 2**

## **Project Description**

## A. PROJECT LOCATION

The proposed project site consists of 10.9-acres located at the southwest corner of Pacific Coast Highway and E. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, in the Marina Pacifica area of the City of Long Beach (see Figure 1). The project site is roughly bounded by 2<sup>nd</sup> Street to the north, a retail center to the south, Pacific Coast Highway to the east, and Marina Drive to the west. The site is currently developed with urban uses and is mainly occupied by the Seaport Marina Hotel.

The site is located approximately five miles east of Downtown Long Beach and one mile south of the San Diego Freeway (I-405). Vehicular access is provided via an existing system of roadways with direct access from Pacific Coast Highway, 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and Marina Drive. The project site is designated in the General Plan as LUD No. 7 and Zoned PD-1 (within the Southeast Area Development Improvement Plan, SEADIP), Subarea 17 area of the City. <sup>3</sup> The project site is also located within the Coastal Zone.

As shown in Figure 2, the project site is located in an urbanized area with retail, commercial, and industrial uses, which are located along the major roadways bordering the site. Land uses in the vicinity include the Marina Shipyard, Marina Pacifica, The Marketplace, Marina Shores, a Chevron gas station, and City National Bank. Directly west of the project site is the Alamitos Bay Marina. The area along Marina Drive north of 2<sup>nd</sup> Street is developed with residential uses. Surrounding uses are developed with a mixture of one- to four-story buildings.

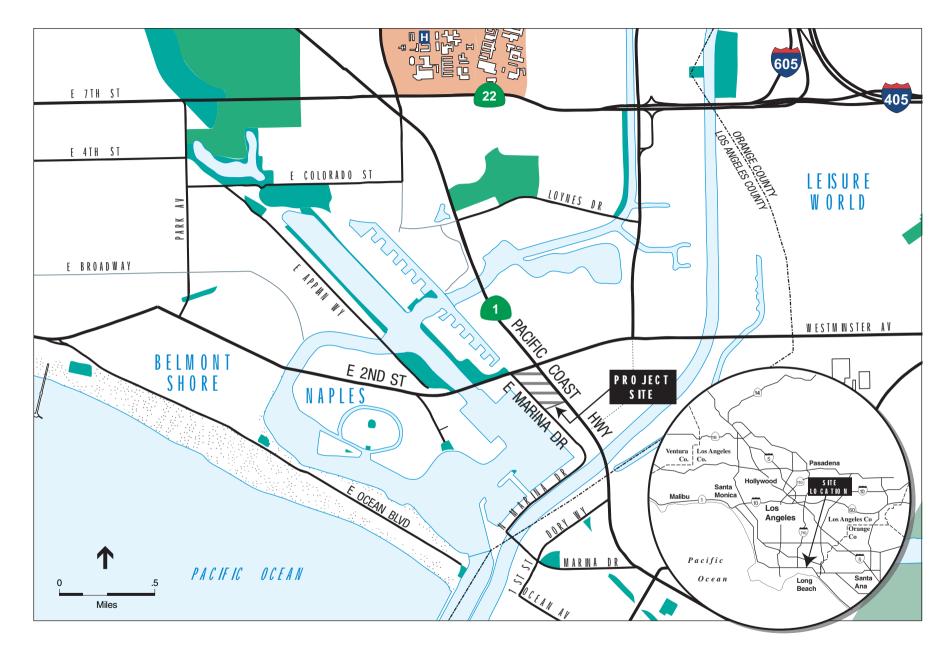
## **B. PROJECT CHARACTERISTICS**

The project applicant (Lennar Homes of California) is seeking entitlement to redevelop the site with approximately 425 residential units, and approximately 170,000 square feet of retail development (see Figure 3). Demolition of the existing on-site buildings (164,736 square foot Seaport Marina Hotel) would be required to allow for development of the project.

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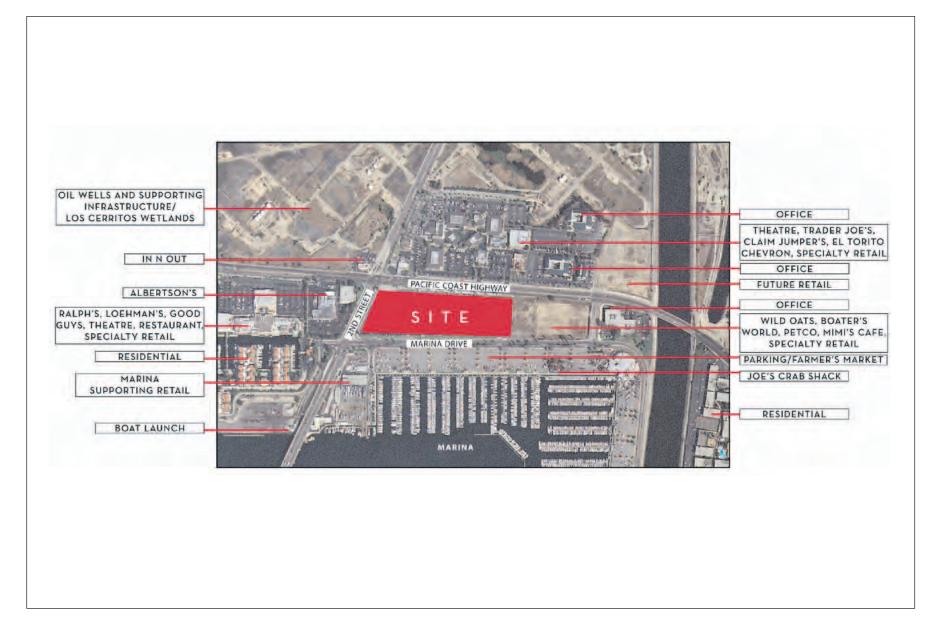
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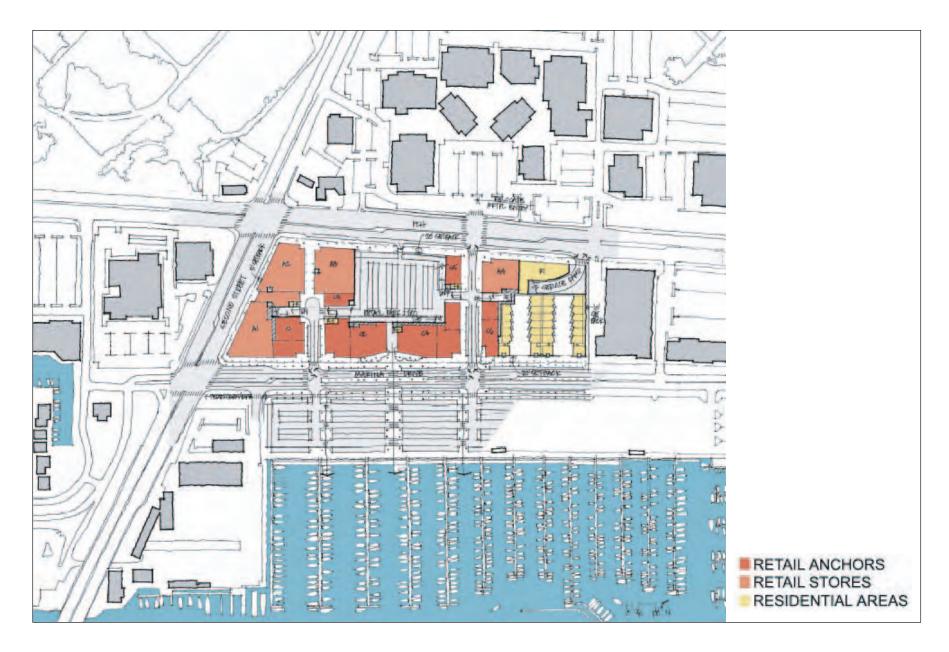
<sup>3</sup> City of Long Beach Department of Planning and Building, Land Use Element of the Long Beach General Plan, Revised and reprinted April 1997, page 169; City of Long Beach Department of Planning and Building, Zoning Ordinance (Title 21 of the City of Long Beach Municipal Code), January 4, 2005.



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Figure 1
Project Site Location





The proposed residential and retail components would be primarily integrated with a mix of retail/commercial uses on the ground floor and residential uses above. Buildings would be a maximum building height of 50 feet. The southeast portion of the site is slated for only residential uses, which would be designed in a courtyard formation. The project would be oriented toward the ocean to maximize views and allow for visitor and residential access, and linkages to the Marina and other area amenities. The project would be designed to be compatible with surrounding uses.

The residential component would consist of condominium homes of various types including luxury flats, lofts, and townhomes with Marina views and on-site amenities. Parking for the proposed project would be in above and below grade parking structures. In addition, the proposed project may include improvements to Marina Drive (between 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and Studebaker) with additional on-street parking and may include improvements to the City-owned parking lot west of Marina Drive. Landscaping would be included throughout the project site and its perimeters.

Construction activities associated with the proposed project would include demolition, site clearance/excavation and building erection. It is anticipated that project construction would be completed in one phase over approximately 22 months. Construction is tentatively scheduled to begin in the fall 2007, with completion anticipated by summer 2009.

The project would require amendments to the SEADIP Planned Development District (PD-1) and Local Coastal Program, a tentative subdivision map, and Local Coastal Development Permit.

## **SECTION 3**

## **Environmental Checklist**

Issues (and Supporting Information Sources):		Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
I.	<b>AESTHETICS - Would the project:</b>				
a)	Have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista?	$\boxtimes$			
b)	Substantially damage scenic resources, including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings within a state scenic highway?				
c)	Substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of the site and its surroundings?				
d)	Create a new source of substantial light or glare which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area?				

- **a-b. Potentially Significant Impact.** The proposed project site is currently developed with urban uses (Seaport Marina Hotel). There are no designated state scenic vistas or scenic highways near the site.<sup>4</sup> However, 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and Marina Drive are designated Local Scenic Routes. <sup>5</sup> In addition, views of the adjacent Alamitos Bay Marina are available from the project site. Further analysis of these issues will be included in the EIR.
- c. Potentially Significant Impact. The project site is located within an urbanized area surrounded by a mix of residential, commercial and retail uses. Implementation of the proposed project would introduce a higher density use to the site than the current hotel. In addition, the project proposes replacing the existing two-story structure with up to four stories. Further analysis of this issue will be included in the EIR.
- d. Potentially Significant Impact. The project site is located within an urbanized area surrounded by a mix of residential, commercial and retail uses. The existing uses include interior and exterior building lighting, parking lot lighting, and landscape lighting. However, as the project includes a higher density use than currently exists, additional nighttime lighting and potential glare impacts may be introduced. Further analysis of this issue will be included in the EIR.

<sup>4</sup> California Department of Transportation, California Scenic Highway Mapping System – Los Angeles County, website <a href="http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LandArch/scenic\_highways/index.htm">http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LandArch/scenic\_highways/index.htm</a>, accessed January 4, 2004.

<sup>5</sup> City of Long Beach, Long Beach General Plan, Scenic Routes Element (Scenic Highways), May 9, 1975.

Issu	nes (and Supporting Information Sources):	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
II.	AGRICULTURE RESOURCES - In determining we environmental effects, lead agencies may refer to the Model (1997) prepared by the California Department impacts on agriculture and farmland. Would the project of the California Department impacts on agriculture and farmland.	California Agric of Conservation	cultural Land Eva	aluation and Site	e Assessment
a)	Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance (Farmland), as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to non-agricultural use?				
b)	Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act contract?				
c)	Involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland, to non-agricultural use?				
Ex	planation:				
a-c	No Impact. The proposed project site is Long Beach. The project site is fully dev Unique Farmland or Farmland of Statew proposed project would have no impact would be required.	veloped and i vide Importar	is not classifie nce. <sup>6,7</sup> Implen	ed as Prime F nentation of t	armland, he
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III.	<b>AIR QUALITY -</b> Where available, the significance of air pollution control district may be relied upon to recommendations.				
a)	Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan?				
b)	Violate any air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation?				

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> California Department of Conservation, Division of Land Resource Protection, Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program, *Los Angeles County Important Farmland 1998 Map*, 1999.

Southern California Association of Governments, Draft 2004 Regional Transportation Plan Program Environmental Impact Report, December 2003, Figure 3.1-6 Prime Agricultural Farm Land and Grazing Land.

	ues (and Supporting Information Sources):	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
III.	AIR QUALITY (cont.)				
c)	Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard (including releasing emissions which exceed quantitative thresholds for ozone precursors)?				
d)	Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?				
e)	Create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people?				

### **Explanation:**

- a. Potentially Significant Impact. The project site is located in the Los Angeles County sub-area of the South Coast Air Basin (SCAB). Los Angeles County is designated as a non-attainment area for ozone, particulates, carbon monoxide and a "maintenance" area for oxides of nitrogen, which denotes that it had once been a non-attainment area for the pollutant. The South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD), the regional agency empowered to regulate stationary sources, maintains an extensive air quality monitoring network to measure criteria pollutant concentrations throughout the SCAB. A project is typically deemed inconsistent with air quality plans if it results in population and/or employment growth that exceeds estimates in the applicable air quality plan or generates unusually large emissions. Although the proposed project includes new residential housing and employment which would result in population and employment growth, it is anticipated that this growth will be within area projections. Nonetheless, further analysis of this issue will be included in the EIR.
- **b.** Potentially Significant Impact. Project construction would involve demolition of several structures on the proposed project site. Implementation of the project would generate short-term construction emissions from demolition, site grading, construction equipment, worker vehicle exhaust, and fugitive dust during excavation, grading and other site preparation activities. Long-term impact would occur from emissions generated from vehicle trips by residents, employees, and visitors, as well as stationary emissions associated with natural gas and electrical energy consumption.

Construction emissions would be short-term in nature and would be limited only to the time period when construction activity is taking place. Therefore, construction emissions would not add to long-term air quality degradation. Construction related emissions may

<sup>8</sup> California Air Resources Board, Area Designation Maps/State and National, http://www.arb.ca.gov/desig/adm/adm.htm, accessed January 5, 2005.

exceed SCAQMD daily emissions thresholds. These temporary construction emissions would, therefore, be considered potentially significant and will be analyzed in the EIR.

Depending upon project trip generation, the proposed project may increase vehicular traffic in the vicinity of the project site beyond levels currently generated. An increase in daily vehicular emissions may exceed SCAQMD daily emissions thresholds. The proposed project would result in an increase in emissions from stationary sources associated with natural gas and electrical consumption. Further analysis of this issue will be included in the EIR.

- c. Potentially Significant Impact. The project site and the whole of the Los Angeles metropolitan area are located within the SCAB, which is characterized by relatively poor air quality. As stated in Section III(a), the SCAB is currently non-attainment for several criteria pollutants. Operational activities associated with implementation of the proposed project would result in increases in air pollutant emissions, which individually or cumulatively, could exceed established thresholds for these criteria pollutants and may result in a significant impact without mitigation. Further analysis of this issue will be included in the EIR.
- d. Potentially Significant Impact. Sensitive receptors are populations that are more susceptible to the effects of air pollution than are the population at large. SCAQMD identifies the following as sensitive receptors: long-term health care facilities, rehabilitation centers, convalescent centers, retirement homes, residences, schools, playgrounds, child care centers, and athletic facilities. The proposed project includes development of residential uses on the project site and is in the vicinity of low-rise residential uses and schools.

CO "hot spots," or areas of high CO concentration, can occur at traffic congested roadway intersections as a result of accumulating vehicle CO emissions. A significant air quality impact would occur where sensitive receptors are exposed to CO levels that exceed state or federal standards. Further analysis of this issue will be included in the EIR.

e. Less Than Significant Impact. The proposed project consists of construction and operation of a mixed-use retail and residential development. Odors from construction may be generated by heavy machinery used on-site, or from the application of paint and/or asphalt during the construction period. These odors, if perceptible, are common in the environment and would be of limited duration. Odors associated with operation of the proposed project would be controlled in accordance with SCAQMD Rule 402.<sup>11</sup> Therefore, impacts would be less than significant, and no mitigation measures would be required.

<sup>9</sup> California Air Resources Board, California Counties and Air Basins, December 2003, page 3.

<sup>10</sup> South Coast Air Quality Management District, CEQA Air Quality Handbook, April 1993, page 5-1.

<sup>11</sup> South Coast Air Quality Management District, *Rule* 402 – *Nuisance*, May 7, 1976.

Issu	nes (and Supporting Information Sources):	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
IV.	BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES - Would the project	ect:			
a)	Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special-status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?				
b)	Have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, regulations or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?				
c)	Have a substantial adverse effect on federally protected wetlands as defined by Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means?				
d)	Interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites?				
e)	Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance?				
f)	Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan?				

## **Explanation:**

**No Impact.** The proposed project site is currently developed with urban uses. The a. proposed project site and surrounding area is developed or landscaped with non-native landscape and ornamental vegetation. Based on general knowledge of the biota of the area and an electronic database review of the Los Alamitos quadrangle in the California Natural Diversity Database, <sup>12</sup> several sensitive species have historically been sighted in the general area of the project site. Based on the disturbed condition of the site and the relative lack of suitable habitat, the potential for any known sensitive species on-site is low. The proposed project would, therefore, not have a substantial adverse effect on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special-status species in local or regional plans or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Impact would be less than significant. No mitigation measures are required.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> California Department of Fish and Game, *Natural Diversity Database*, accessed January 5, 2005.

- **Less Than Significant Impact.** No riparian habitats or sensitive natural communities are located at the project site. The marina located west of the site does contain riparian habitat and the project site is located within the coastal zone. However, the project site is separated from the marina by Marina Drive and implementation of the proposed project would not result in significant impacts. No mitigation measures are required.
- **c.** Less Than Significant Impact. The project site is fully developed and no wetland habitat has been identified or is known to exist on the project site. The Los Cerritos Wetland is located approximately 1,500 feet northeast of the project site, but is not directly adjacent. The project does not propose the alteration of wetland habitat. No mitigation measures are required.
- d. Less Than Significant Impact. The project site is fully developed. Long Beach Marina is located two blocks west of the project site; however, because Marina Drive acts as a barrier between the project site and the marina, the project would not interfere with the movement of any native or migratory fish. Wildlife corridors do not exist on or near the project site and would not be affected by project implementation. The project would not result in any disruption to wildlife movement or migration patterns. Impact would be less than significant. No mitigation measures are required.
- **e-f. No Impact.** The project site is fully developed as is the surrounding area. The proposed project would not require the removal of any protected plant species, as none currently exist on the site. Further, there are no known sensitive biological resources at the project site, as discussed previously. No local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources govern the uses at the project site. No impact would result, and no mitigation measures are required.

Issu	ues (and Supporting Information Sources):	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
v.	CULTURAL RESOURCES - Would the project:				
a)	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource as defined in §15064.5?				
b)	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a unique archaeological resource pursuant to §15064.5?				
c)	Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geologic feature?				
d)	Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries?		$\boxtimes$		

- a. **No Impact.** Generally, historically significant buildings are either more than 50 years old, and/or representative of a particular architectural style or time period in California history. The National Register of Historic Places, California Historical Landmarks and the California Points of Historical Interest do not list any properties within a one-mile radius of the site. <sup>13.14</sup> The proposed project site is developed with the Seaport Marina Hotel, which was constructed less than 50 years ago and does not represent a significant style or period in California history. Therefore, there would be no impact to historical resources. No mitigation measures are required.
- b-d. Less Than Significant Impact With Mitigation Incorporation. The proposed project site is located in an urbanized area and is developed with the Seaport Marina Hotel. Implementation of the proposed project includes construction of below grade parking. No known archaeological, paleontological resources, unique geologic features or human remains exist on the project site. Any surficial archaeological or paleontological resources which may have existed at one time likely have been previously unearthed or disturbed. Although the possibility of uncovering archaeological or paleontological resources would be remote, further analysis of this issue will be included in the EIR.

Issu	es (a	and Supporting Information Sources):	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
VI.	G	SEOLOGY AND SOILS - Would the project:				
a)	adve	ose people or structures to potential substantial erse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or th involving:				
	i)	Rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area or based on other substantial evidence of a known fault? Refer to Division of Mines and Geology Special Publication 42.				
	ii)	Strong seismic ground shaking?			$\boxtimes$	
	iii)	Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction?				
	iv)	Landslides?				
b)	Resi	ult in substantial soil erosion or the loss of soil?				

<sup>13</sup> National Park Service, National Register of Historic Places, accessed January 5, 2005.

<sup>14</sup> California Office of Historic Preservation, California Historical Landmarks, accessed January 5, 2005.

Issu	nes (and Supporting Information Sources):	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
VI.	GEOLOGY AND SOILS (cont.)				
c)	Be located on geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that would become unstable as a result of the project, and potentially result in on- or off-site landslide, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction, or collapse?				
d)	Be located on expansive soil, as defined in Table 18-1-B of the Uniform Building Code (1994), creating substantial risks to life or property?				
e)	Have soils incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks or alternative wastewater disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of wastewater?				

### **Explanation:**

a.i-ii. Less Than Significant Impact. The project site is located within the seismically active region of southern California. Primary ground rupture or fault rupture is defined as the surface displacement, which occurs along the surface of a fault during an earthquake. There are no active faults identified by the state, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map, on the project site. The closest known active faults are the Newport-Inglewood fault, located approximately 0.5 miles to the northeast, and the Palos Verdes fault, located approximately 7.7 miles to the southwest. Due to the location of the site within a region subject to strong seismic ground shaking, occupants of the proposed project would be exposed to seismic risks similar to those experienced by occupants at most other locations in the surrounding area. The proposed project would comply with all applicable building and safety requirements, which would reduce potential effects to less than significant levels.

The proposed project itself would not cause a substantial increase in the number of people or structures exposed to seismic risks. No significant impacts would occur and no mitigation measures are required.

**a.iii. Potentially Significant Impact.** Liquefaction usually occurs in areas where groundwater is less than 30 to 50 feet from the surface. Groundwater levels at the site were detected between 6.5 to 10 feet below ground surface. Seismic Hazard Zone Maps also indicate that the proposed site is located within a liquefaction zone. Further analysis of this issue will be included in the EIR.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Converse Consultants, *Draft Preliminary Geotechnical Investigation Report*, April 1, 2004.

<sup>16</sup> *Ibid*.

<sup>17</sup> *Ibid*.

- **No Impact.** The project site consists of relatively flat terrain. There are no hillsides or a.iv. slopes on or adjacent to the project site that would be susceptible to slope failure or landslide. Thus, the potential for seismically induced landslides to affect the proposed project site is low.<sup>18</sup> No impact would be result, and no mitigation measures are required.
- b. Less Than Significant Impact With Mitigation Incorporation. The proposed project site is currently developed with urban uses. The majority of the site contains flat, impervious surfaces and the nature of the project is such that the final grading of the site would not differ significantly from the existing grade. Therefore, implementation of the proposed project is not anticipated to change stormwater runoff volumes or significantly affect drainage patterns. However, soil erosion could result when the project site is excavated and cleared prior to construction. Exposed soils during grading and construction activities would be subject to wind and water erosion. Further analysis of this issue will be included in the EIR.
- **Potentially Significant Impact.** The underlying sediments at the project site include c. silty sand, sandy silt, silt, clay, clayey sand, and sand with silt. Preliminary review indicates that the project site is not located in an area prone to subsidence. The site is located in a relatively flat area and is not located within an area identified as having a potential for seismically induced landslides. However, the project site is mapped within an area identified as having a potential for liquefaction. <sup>19</sup> Lateral spreading generally occurs where soils are susceptible to liquefaction. Therefore, because the potential for liquefaction at the project site is high, the potential for lateral spreading is high. The proposed project is, therefore, located on soil that is unstable or would become unstable due to a seismic event.<sup>20</sup> Further analysis of this issue will be included in the EIR.
- d. **Less Than Significant Impact.** Expansive soil is defined as soil that expands to a significant degree upon wetting and shrinks upon drying. Generally, expansive soils contain a high percentage of clay particles. The soils on the project site are predominately silty sand, sandy silt, silt, clay, clayey sand, and sand with silt. The potential for expansion is low.<sup>21</sup> Impact would be less than significant, and no mitigation measures are required.
- **No Impact.** The proposed project site is located in an urbanized area, which includes e. adequate sewer infrastructure. Therefore, no need exists for the use of septic tanks or alternative wastewater disposal systems on-site. Therefore, impact would be less than significant and no mitigation measures are required.

<sup>18</sup> *Ibid*.

<sup>19</sup> Converse Consultants, Draft Preliminary Geotechnical Investigation Report, April 1, 2004.

<sup>20</sup> *Ibid*.

<sup>21</sup> Ibid.

Issu	es (and Supporting Information Sources):	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
VII.	HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS -	Would the pro	oject:		
a)	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials?				
b)	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment?				
c)	Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school?				
d)	Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment?				
e)	For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?				
f)	For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?				
g)	Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?				
h)	Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wildland fires, including where wildlands are adjacent to urbanized areas or where residences are intermixed with wildlands?				

### **Explanation:**

Less Than Significant Impact. The proposed project includes the development of a-b. residential and commercial uses, and operations would not involve the handling of hazardous materials. The proposed project is unlikely to create a significant hazard to the public or environment through routine transport, storage, and use of hazardous materials. Grading and construction activities may involve the limited transport, storage, use, or disposal of hazardous materials such as remodeling/demolition debris, lead and asbestos containing materials, in the fueling or servicing of construction equipment on-site, or the removal and export of contaminated soils. However, these activities would be minimal, short-term, or one-time in nature and would be subject to federal, state, and local health

and safety requirements. Therefore, impact would be less than significant, and no mitigation measures are required.

Long-term operation of the proposed project would involve very little transport, storage, use or disposal of hazardous materials associated with janitorial, maintenance, and repair activities (i.e., commercial cleansers, lubricants and paints), and household cleaning supplies. Use of these hazardous materials would be very limited, and transport, storage, use and disposal of these materials would be subject to federal, state and local health and safety requirements. Impact would be less than significant, and no mitigation measures are required.

- **No Impact.** There are no schools located within one-quarter mile of the project site. In c. addition, the project would not involve the use of hazardous materials, acutely hazardous materials, substances, or wastes in sufficient quantities to pose a potential hazard. As described above, the proposed project would be required to comply with all federal, state and local rules and regulations for hazardous materials handling to ensure that no impacts would occur. No mitigation measures are required.
- d. Potentially Significant Impact. According to the Phase I Environmental Site Assessment, the part of the project site used as a former Unocal gas station is listed as an Underground Storage Tank (UST) and Leaking Underground Storage Tank (LUST) facility. Methyl tertiary-butyl ether (MTBE) has also been discovered in groundwater samples collected from the site. There are five abandoned oil wells located on the project site. In addition, the project site is located adjacent to an Exxon gas station that experienced a gasoline leak. Abatement and remediation of the Unocal gas station and the Exxon gas station is underway. However, there is the potential for migration of hazardous substances to soil or groundwater beneath the project site.<sup>22</sup> Further analysis of these issues will be included in the EIR.
- **No Impact.** The project site is located approximately 6.5 miles from the Long Beach e. Municipal Airport, outside the area of potential effect of the airport land use plan. Therefore, the project would not result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area or visiting the project site. No impact would result, and no mitigation measures are required.
- f. **No Impact.** The project site is not located within the immediate vicinity of a private airstrip. Therefore, the proposed project would not result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area or visiting the project site. No impact would result, and no mitigation measures are required.
- g. **No Impact.** The proposed project would not interfere with a current emergency response plan or an emergency evacuation plan for local, state or federal agencies. All emergency procedures would be implemented consistent with local, state, and federal guidelines

<sup>22</sup> Leighton and Associates, Phase I Environmental Site Assessment Report, August 4, 2004.

during the construction and operation of the project. Therefore, no impacts are anticipated. No mitigation measures are required.

h. No Impact. The proposed project site and surrounding area are largely developed and no wildland fire hazard risk exists. On-site landscaping would be controlled through trimming and watering so as to reduce fire hazard impacts. Therefore, no impact would result, and no mitigation measures are required.

Issu	es (and Supporting Information Sources):	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
VIII	. HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY - Woul	d the project:			
a)	Violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements?				
b)	Substantially deplete groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that there would be a net deficit in aquifer volume or a lowering of the local groundwater table level (e.g., the production rate of pre-existing nearby wells would drop to a level which would not support existing land uses or planned uses for which permits have been granted)?				
c)	Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, in a manner which would result in substantial erosion of siltation on- or off-site?				
d)	Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, or substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner which would result in flooding on- or off-site?				
e)	Create or contribute runoff water which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems or provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff?				
f)	Otherwise substantially degrade water quality?				
g)	Place housing within a 100-year flood hazard area as mapped on a federal Flood Hazard Boundary or Flood Insurance Rate Map or other flood hazard delineation map?				
h)	Place within a 100-year flood hazard area structures which would impede or redirect flood flows?				
i)	Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving flooding, including flooding as a result of the failure of a levee or dam?				
j)	Inundation of seiche, tsunami, or mudflow?			$\boxtimes$	

- a. Less Than Significant Impact With Mitigation Incorporation. The proposed project site is currently developed with urban uses. The majority of the site contains flat, impervious surfaces and the nature of the project is such that the final grading of the site would not differ significantly from the existing grade. However as stated in Section VI(b), construction activities may result in soil erosion. Further analysis of this issue will be included in the EIR.
- b. Less Than Significant Impact With Mitigation Incorporation. Groundwater is present at depths of about 6.5 to 10 feet at the project site.<sup>23</sup> Shallow ground water can be a construction hazard, where excavations may experience inflows of shallow groundwater. Deep excavation would occur during construction (i.e., construction of an underground parking structure). Therefore, further analysis of this issue will be included in the EIR.
- **c-f. Less Than Significant Impact With Mitigation Incorporation.** Development of the proposed project would not require any substantial changes to the existing drainage pattern of the site or the area, including the alteration of the course of a stream or river, or substantially increase the erosion or siltation and the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner that would result in flooding on- or off-site. The project site is located in an urban area and is currently developed with commercial uses. The proposed project would not significantly alter the grade. However as stated in Section VI(b), construction activities may result in soil erosion. Further analysis of this issue will be included in the EIR.
- **g-i.** Less Than Significant Impact. According to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the project site is located in the 100-year flood zone AR. This is an area of special flood hazard which result from the decertification of a previously accredited flood protection system that is in the process of being restored to provide 100-year or greater level of flood protection. According to the City of Long Beach Public Safety Element, the project site is not located in an area subject to flood inundation during a seismic event. Impact would be less than significant, and no mitigation measures are required.
- Investigation Report, review of the area adjacent to the project site indicates that there are no up-gradient lakes or reservoirs with the potential to flood the site as the result of a seiche. <sup>26</sup> A tsunami is a sea wave usually generated by a large submarine earthquake. The potential damage is much greater from a tsunami than seiche. In comparison to many other coastal areas of Southern California, Long Beach is somewhat protected by the surrounding geography and the breakwater. A substantial warning time of perhaps as

<sup>23</sup> Converse Consultants, Draft Preliminary Geotechnical Investigation Report, April 1, 2004.

<sup>24</sup> Federal Emergency Management Agency, Flood Insurance Rate Map, Community Panel Number 060136 0025C, revised July 6, 1998.

<sup>25</sup> City of Long Beach, Public Safety Element, Adopted May 1975, Reprinted 2004.

<sup>26</sup> Converse Consultants, Draft Preliminary Geotechnical Investigation Report, April 13, 2004.

much as six to 12 hours would be anticipated for a major tsunami, the potential for death or injury from a tsunami is considered low. The project site is located west of Naples Island two blocks inland from the Long Beach Marina. The breakwater, a system of berms located along the Marina's western boundary, and no direct access to the marina would protect the project site from the direct impact of a tsunami and provide a substantial warning time to evacuate the project site. Impact would be less than significant impact. No mitigation measures are required.

Issu	es (and Supporting Information Sources):	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
IX.	LAND USE AND PLANNING - Would the projec	t:			
a)	Physically divide an established community?				$\boxtimes$
b)	Conflict with any applicable land use plan, policy, or regulation of an agency with jurisdiction over the project (including, but not limited to the general plan, specific plan, local coastal program, or zoning ordinance) adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect?				
c)	Conflict with any applicable habitat conservation plan or natural community conservation plan?				

- a. No Impact. The project site is currently developed with commercial uses and does not contain residential dwellings. In addition, the project would not introduce new roads or any above ground infrastructure that would divide the existing site. No impact would result, and no mitigation measures are required.
- b. Potentially Significant Impact. The project site is located in General Plan Land Use District No. 7 and is zoned Planned Development (PD-1). SEADIP (Subarea 17) and the Local Coastal Program both apply to the site. The project would require amendments to the SEADIP Planned Development District and Local Coastal Program. Conflicts with these land use plans could result in a significant impact. Further analysis of this issue will be included in the EIR.
- **c. No Impact.** The project site and surrounding area are developed with commercial uses. No habitat or natural community conservation plans govern the project area.<sup>27</sup> Therefore, the proposed project would not conflict with any conservation plans. No impact would result, and no mitigation measures are required.

<sup>27</sup> Southern California Association of Governments, Draft Regional Transportation Plan, 2004.

Issu	ues (and Supporting Information Sources):	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
X.	MINERAL RESOURCES—Would the project:				
a)	Result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region and the residents of the state?				
b)	Result in the loss of availability of a locally- important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan or other land use plan?				
Ex	planation:				
a-h	used as an oil field. However, oil resource plans for any mining or mineral recovery vicinity of the project site. Therefore, the availability of a known mineral resource site. No impact would result, and no mit	ces on the site y projects at t e proposed pro or locally-in	e were exhaust he project site oject would no aportant miner	ted and there or in the important or result in the real resource real	are no mediate ne loss of
Issu	ues (and Supporting Information Sources):	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
XI.	NATIONAL POLLUTION DISCHARGE ELI	IMINATION S	YSTEM – Woul	d the project:	
a)	Result in a significant loss of impervious surface??		$\bowtie$		
b)	Create a significant discharge of pollutants into the storm drain or water way?		$\boxtimes$		
c)	Violate any best management practices of the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System permit?				
Ex	planation:				
a-c	site is currently developed with urban us impervious surfaces and the nature of the would not differ significantly from the e project would be a continuation of urban not significantly change. However as sta	es. The majo e project is su xisting grade a use and the	rity of the site sich that the fin . Implementatiamount of imp	contains flat al grading of ion of the pro- pervious surfa	f the site oposed ace would

result in soil erosion. Further analysis of this issue will be included in the EIR.

<u>Issi</u>	ues (and Supporting Information Sources):	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
XII	. NOISE - Would the project result in:				
a)	Exposure of persons to or generation of noise levels in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies?				
b)	Exposure of persons to or generation of excessive groundborne vibration or groundborne noise levels?				
c)	A substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?	$\boxtimes$			
d)	A substantial temporary or periodic increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?	$\boxtimes$			
e)	For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?				
f)	For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?				

## **Explanation:**

Potentially Significant Impact. Project construction and ultimate operation could a. potentially expose nearby sensitive uses (such as adjacent residences) to noise levels above established noise standards. The project would create noise on a short-term basis during construction from equipment and personnel. Long-term operational impacts associated with traffic in the area; mechanical equipment associated with heating, ventilation, and air conditioning; and building operations could also be significant sources of noise.

Noise impacts associated with the exposure to or generation of noise levels in excess of standards established by the City of Long Beach Noise ordinance will be analyzed. Further analysis of this issue will be included in the EIR.

b. **Potentially Significant Impact.** Construction of the proposed project would generally include conventional construction activities, including excavation, grading, site preparation, and building construction. A temporary increase in noise would result from construction activities. Operation of the project would not involve any activities with the potential to cause excessive groundborne vibration or noise. Construction activities may involve the driving of piles for building foundations and removal of asphalt. Further analysis of this issue will be included in the EIR.

- **Potentially Significant Impact.** Construction of the proposed project would generally c-d. include conventional construction activities, including excavation, grading, site preparation, and building construction. A temporary increase in noise would result from construction activities. The majority of noise generated by operation of the proposed project would be attributable to vehicular traffic. Traffic noise may be potentially significant depending upon traffic routes and volumes. The project includes residential uses above or next to the commercial areas. The project site is also in the vicinity of residential uses. Noise would increase in the project area from project construction and operation. Further analysis of this issue will be included in the EIR.
- e-f. **No Impact.** The nearest airport to the project site, the Long Beach Municipal Airport, is located approximately 6.5 miles northeast of the project site. However, the project is located outside of the noise impact zones. No significant noise impact would result from the project's proximity to an airport. No mitigation measures are required.

Issi	ues (and Supporting Information Sources):	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
XII	II. POPULATION AND HOUSING - Would the pro	ject:			
a)	Induce substantial population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)?				
b)	Displace substantial numbers of existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?				
c)	Displace substantial numbers of people necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?				$\boxtimes$

- **Potentially Significant Impact.** The project site is located within an urbanized area and a. is supported by existing utility infrastructure and roadways. The project includes residential uses, and therefore, the project would result in population growth in the area. Further analysis of this issue will be included in the EIR.
- b-c. **No Impact.** No residential units would be removed in order to construct the proposed project. Therefore, the proposed project would not displace existing housing or people, or necessitate the construction of replacement housing elsewhere. No impact would result, and no mitigation measures are required.

Issues (and Supporting Information Sources):  XIV. PUBLIC SERVICES - Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times, or other performance objectives for any of the public services:				
i) Fire protection?	$\boxtimes$			
ii) Police protection?	$\boxtimes$			
iii) Schools?	$\boxtimes$			
iv) Parks?	$\boxtimes$			
v) Other public facilities?			$\boxtimes$	

- a.i-ii. **Potentially Significant Impact.** The proposed project would increase the level of activity at the site and vehicular and pedestrian traffic in the project area, and therefore would generate additional demand for fire and police protection services. Further analysis of this issue will be included in the EIR.
- a.iii. **Potentially Significant Impact.** Implementation of the proposed project includes the construction of 425 new residential units and would therefore result in population growth and subsequent need for school services in the area. Further analysis of this issue will be included in the EIR.
- a.iv. Potentially Significant Impact. Implementation of the proposed project includes the construction of 425 new residential units and would therefore result in population growth and subsequent need for parks/and recreation in the area. Further analysis of this issue will be included in the EIR.
- a.vi. Less Than Significant Impact. The project would result in an incremental increase in demand for other public services, such as roadway maintenance. However, the projected revenue to the City derived from impact fees, increased property taxes, sales taxes, and development fees from the project would offset costs of road maintenance and other governmental services. Impact would be less than significant, and no mitigation measures are required.

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	ues (and Supporting Information Sources):	Impact	Incorporation	Impact	No Impact
<b>A V</b> a)	RECREATION:  Would the project increase the use of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be accelerated?				
b)	Does the project include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment?				
Ex	planation:				
a-h	residentially Significant Impact. The proresidential uses on the project site, which and recreation services. Further analysis	would resul	It in an increas will be include  Less Than	e in demand	for parks
Issu	ues (and Supporting Information Sources):	Potentially Significant Impact	Significant with Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
	I. TRANSPORTATION / TRAFFIC - Would the pr				
a)	Cause an increase in traffic which is substantial in relation to the existing traffic load and capacity of the street system (i.e., result in a substantial increase in either the number of vehicle trips, the volume-to-capacity ratio on roads, or congestion at intersections)?				
b)	Exceed, either individually or cumulatively, a level of service standard established by the county congestion management agency for designated roads or highways?				
c)	Result in a change in air traffic patterns, including either an increase in traffic levels or a change in location that results in substantial safety risks?				
d)	Substantially increase hazards due to a design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment)?				
e)	Result in inadequate emergency access?				
f)	Result in inadequate parking capacity?	$\boxtimes$			
g)	Conflict with adopted policies, plans, or programs supporting alternative transportation (e.g., bus turnouts, bicycle racks)?				

- a-b. **Potentially Significant Impact.** The proposed project includes the construction of new residential and commercial uses on the site, which would result in an increase in traffic generated and the level of service at intersections in the vicinity of the project site. Further analysis of this issue will be included in the EIR.
- No Impact. Proposed structures would be consistent with height restrictions for the c. planning area for Long Beach Municipal Airport as set forth in the Long Beach Zoning Ordinance, and would not require changes in air traffic patterns. Accordingly, no impact would occur, and no mitigation measures are required.
- d. Less Than Significant Impact. No significant changes to existing roadway alignments are expected as a result of project development. Any improvements of the surrounding roadways would comply with local and state roadway design standards. Compliance with existing regulations would ensure that no design feature hazards would be created. Impact would be less than significant, and no mitigation measures are required.
- **Less Than Significant Impact.** The design of the project would provide adequate e. emergency access consistent with Long Beach Municipal Code requirements. The proposed project would comply with applicable Fire Department, Department of Building and Safety requirements, and UBC design standards prior to the issue of an occupancy permit. Per City of Long Beach Municipal Code requirements, the Fire Department would have full site plan review, including all buildings, fences, drive gates, retaining walls or other features that might affect Fire Department access, with unobstructed fire lanes for access identified. The review process, along with compliance with applicable regulations and standards stated above, would ensure that adequate emergency access would be provided. Impact would be less than significant, and no mitigation measures are required.
- f. **Potentially Significant Impact.** The proposed project includes above and below grade parking. The project may also includes improvements to Marina Drive and the Cityowned parking lot to the west of the site. Further analysis of this issue will be included in the EIR.
- **Less Than Significant Impact.** Design of the proposed project will comply with all g. state and federal requirements relating to public transportation. All policies supporting alternative transportation would be followed by the project. The project would have the beneficial effect of providing housing on the same site as commercial uses and, thereby reducing vehicle traffic and encouraging pedestrian circulation. Impact would be less than significant and no mitigation measures are required.

Issu	nes (and Supporting Information Sources):	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
XV	II. UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS - Would	the project:			
a)	Exceed wastewater treatment requirements of the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board?				
b)	Require or result in the construction of new water or wastewater treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?				
c)	Require or result in the construction of new storm water drainage facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?				
d)	Have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project from existing entitlements and resources, or are new or expanded entitlements needed?				
e)	Result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider which serves or may serve the project that it has adequate capacity to serve the project's projected demand in addition to the provider's existing commitments?				
f)	Be served by a landfill with sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the project's solid waste disposal needs?				
g)	Comply with federal, state, and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste?				

- a-b. Potentially Significant Impact. The proposed project will replace a 240-room hotel and ancillary hotel services with 425 residential units and approximately 170,000 square feet of retail uses. The existing uses currently require approximately 36,000 gallons per day of water and generate approximately 30,000 gallons per day of wastewater. Under the proposed project, water consumption would increase to 144,798 gallons per day and wastewater generation would increase to 83,300 gallons per day. Further analysis of these issues will be included in the EIR.
- Less Than Significant Impact. As discussed in Section VIII(c), construction activities c. could impact soil erosion and storm water runoff levels due to implementation of the proposed project. However, implementation of BMPs will substantially reduce erosion, deposition, and related effects. Compliance with NPDES regulations and City BMPs would minimize impact to a less than significant level. No mitigation measures are required.

- d-e. Potentially Significant Impact. As stated above in Section XVII (a-b), the proposed project would result in an overall increase in the amount of water consumed and wastewater generated. Further analysis of these issues will be included in the EIR.
- f. **Potentially Significant Impact.** The proposed project will replace a 240-room hotel and ancillary hotel services with 425 residential units and approximately 170,000 square feet of retail uses. The existing uses currently generate approximately 87.6 tons per year of solid waste. Under the proposed project, solid waste generation would increase to approximately 465.5 tons per year. Further analysis of this issue will be included in the EIR.
- **Less Than Significant Impact.** The proposed project would be required to reduce the g. total estimated waste output through established City recycling programs. Compliance with existing regulations and standards would result in a less than significant impact and no mitigation measures would be required.

Issi	ues (and Supporting Information Sources):	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
ΧV	III. MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICA	NCE			
a)	Does the project have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory?				
b)	Does the project have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulative considerable? ("Cumulative considerable" means that the incremental effects of a project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects)?				
c)	Does the project have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?				

### **Explanation:**

Less Than Significant Impact With Mitigation Incorporation. The project site is a. located within an urbanized area surrounded by residential and commercial uses. As discussed in biological resources (Section IV), there are no known rare or endangered animal or plant species at or surrounding the project site. Therefore, implementation of the proposed project would not degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of fish and wildlife species, cause fish or wildlife populations to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten or eliminate a plant of animal community, or reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal.

As discussed in cultural resources (Section V), the project site does not contain any historical resources or any known archaeological, paleontological or unique geologic features. Any surficial archaeological or paleontological resources which may have existed at one time have likely been unearthed or disturbed. Although the possibility of uncovering archaeological or paleontological resources would be remote, the proposed project does include construction of a below grade parking structure. Therefore, further analysis of this issue will be included in the EIR.

- b. **Potentially Significant Impact.** The proposed project may contribute to cumulatively considerable impacts, which will be addressed in the EIR. Specifically, the resource areas of air quality (Section III), public services (Section XIV), transportation (Section XVI), and utilities (Section XVII) may result in impacts that would be individually limited, but cumulatively considerable, and therefore potentially significant. Further analysis of these issues is required as part of the environmental review process.
- Potentially Significant Impact. As discussed in aesthetics (Section I), air quality c. (Section III), cultural resources (Section V), geology and soils (Section VI), hazards and hazardous materials (Section VII), hydrology/water quality (Section VIII), land use (Section IX), National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (Section XI), noise (Section XII), population and housing (Section XIII), public services (Section XIV), transportation (Section XVI), and utilities (Section XVII), the proposed project may have environmental effects which would cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly. These impacts could be potentially significant without mitigation measures. Further analysis of these issues will be included in the EIR.

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June 20, 2005

Ms. Angela Revnolds Environmental Officer City of Long Beach Department of Planning and Building 333 W. Ocean Boulevard, 7th Floor Long Beach, CA 90802

SCAG Clearinghouse No. 1 20050340 Seaport Marina RE:

Dear Ms. Reynolds:

Thank you for submitting the Seaport Marina for review and comment. As areawide clearinghouse for regionally significant projects, SCAG reviews the consistency of local plans, projects and programs with regional plans. This activity is based on SCAG's responsibilities as a regional planning organization pursuant to state and federal laws and regulations. Guidance provided by these reviews is intended to assist local agencies and project sponsors to take actions that contribute to the attainment of regional goals and policies.

We have reviewed the Seaport Marina, and have determined that the proposed Project is not regionally significant per SCAG Intergovernmental Review (IGR) Criteria and California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines (Section 15206). Therefore, the proposed Project does not warrant comments at this time. Should there be a change in the scope of the proposed Project, we would appreciate the opportunity to review and comment at that time.

A description of the proposed Project was published in SCAG's May 16-31, 2005 Intergovernmental Review Clearinghouse Report for public review and comment.

The project title and SCAG Clearinghouse number should be used in all correspondence with SCAG concerning this Project. Correspondence should be sent to the attention of the Clearinghouse Coordinator. If you have any questions, please contact me at (213) 236-1851. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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June 10, 2005

Ms. Jill Griffiths City of Long Beach 333 W. Ocean Boulevard, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor Long Beach, CA 90802

Dear Ms. Griffiths:

SCH# 2005051096: NOTICE OF PREAPARATION (NOP) FOR THE SEAPORT MARINA DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR)

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on the subject document. The California Department of Health Services, Drinking Water Field Operations-Southern California Branch (Department) focused its review on drinking water issues and related issues.

The NOP stated that the project site would be redeveloped with mixed uses consisting of approximately 425 residential units, and approximately 170,000 square feet of retail development, and demolition of the existing onsite buildings (164,736 square foot Seaport Marina Hotel) would be required to allow for development of the project. This indicates that there will be additional water mains and/or service connections that will be constructed under the project proposal.

The following are the Department comments:

- Future developments and/or redevelopments must comply with the Department's policy Criteria for the Separation of Water Mains and Sanitary Sewers. A copy of this Policy will be provided upon request.
- For construction and developments in areas described in the EIR, notifications and requests for the necessary reviews and approval should be sent to the Long Beach Water Department and the Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services: Cross-Connection/Water Program to ensure compliance with the cross-connection requirements, inspections, and the separation criteria.



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3. All Potential Contaminating Activities (PCAs) that may impact domestic production well(s) within or nearby the subject area described in the NOP and/or EIR shall be reviewed and restricted.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Ric M. Roda, P.E., at (213) 580-3124.

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Ms. Angela Reynolds **Environmental Planning Officer** Department of Planning and Building City of Long Beach 333 West Ocean Boulevard, 7th Floor Long Beach, CA 90802

Dear Ms. Reynolds:

#### Seaport Marina Project

The County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County (Districts) received a Notice of Preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report for the subject project on May 20, 2005. The proposed development is located within the jurisdictional boundaries of District No. 3. We offer the following comments regarding sewerage service:

- 1. The wastewater flow originating from the proposed project will discharge to a local sewer line, which is not maintained by the Districts, for conveyance to the Districts' Marina Trunk Sewer, Section 4, located in the intersection of Marina Pacifica and Marina Drive. This 15-inch diameter trunk sewer has a design capacity of 1.4 million gallons per day (mgd) and conveyed a peak flow of 0.7 mgd when last measured in 2003.
- 2. The wastewater generated by the proposed project will be treated at the Joint Water Pollution Control Plant located in the City of Carson, which has a design capacity of 385 mgd and currently processes an average flow of 324.9 mgd.
- 3. The expected average wastewater flow from the project site is 138,125 gallons per day.
- 4. The Districts are empowered by the California Health and Safety Code to charge a fee for the privilege of connecting (directly or indirectly) to the Districts' Sewerage System or increasing the existing strength and/or quantity of wastewater attributable to a particular parcel or operation already connected. This connection fee is required to construct an incremental expansion of the Sewerage System to accommodate the proposed project, which will mitigate the impact of this project on the present Sewerage System. Payment of a connection fee will be required before a permit to connect to the sewer is issued. A copy of the Connection Fee Information Sheet is enclosed for your convenience. For more specific information regarding the connection fee application procedure and fees, please contact the Connection Fee Counter at extension 2727.

5. In order for the Districts to conform to the requirements of the Federal Clean Air Act (CAA), the design capacities of the Districts' wastewater treatment facilities are based on the regional growth forecast adopted by the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG). Specific policies included in the development of the SCAG regional growth forecast are incorporated into the Air Quality Management Plan, which is prepared by the South Coast Air Quality Management District in order to improve air quality in the South Coast Air Basin as mandated by the CAA. All expansions of Districts' facilities must be sized and service phased in a manner that will be consistent with the SCAG regional growth forecast for the counties of Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, Riverside, Ventura, and Imperial. The available capacity of the Districts' treatment facilities will, therefore, be limited to levels associated with the approved growth identified by SCAG. As such, this letter does not constitute a guarantee of wastewater service, but is to advise you that the Districts intend to provide this service up to the levels that are legally permitted and to inform you of the currently existing capacity and any proposed expansion of the Districts' facilities.

If you have any questions, please contact the undersigned at (562) 699-7411, extension 2717.

Very truly yours,

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# INFORMATION SHEET FOR APPLICANTS PROPOSING TO CONNECT OR INCREASE THEIR DISCHARGE TO THE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY SEWERAGE SYSTEM

#### THE PROGRAM

The County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County are empowered by the California Health and Safety Code to charge a fee for the privilege of connecting to a Sanitation District's sewerage system. Your connection to a City or County sewer constitutes a connection to a Sanitation District's sewerage system as these sewers flow into a Sanitation District's system. The County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County provide for the conveyance, treatment, and disposal of your wastewater. PAYMENT OF A CONNECTION FEE TO THE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY WILL BE REQUIRED BEFORE A CITY OR THE COUNTY WILL ISSUE YOU A PERMIT TO CONNECT TO THE SEWER.

#### I. WHO IS REQUIRED TO PAY A CONNECTION FEE?

- 1. Anyone connecting to the sewerage system for the first time for any structure located on a parcel(s) of land within a County Sanitation District of Los Angeles County.
- 2. Anyone increasing the quantity of wastewater discharged due to the construction of additional dwelling units on or a change in land usage of a parcel already connected to the sewerage system.
- 3. Anyone increasing the improvement square footage of a commercial or institutional parcel by more than 25 percent.
- 4. Anyone increasing the quantity and/or strength of wastewater from an industrial parcel.
- 5. If you qualify for an Ad Valorem Tax or Demolition Credit, connection fee will be adjusted accordingly.

#### II. HOW ARE THE CONNECTION FEES USED?

The connection fees are used to provide additional conveyance, treatment, and disposal facilities (capital facilities) which are made necessary by new users connecting to a Sanitation District's sewerage system or by existing users who significantly increase the quantity or strength of their wastewater discharge. The Connection Fee Program insures that all users pay their fair share for any necessary expansion of the system.

#### III. HOW MUCH IS MY CONNECTION FEE?

Your connection fee can be determined from the Connection Fee Schedule specific to the Sanitation District in which your parcel(s) to be connected is located. A Sanitation District boundary map is attached to each corresponding Sanitation District Connection Fee Schedule. Your City or County sewer permitting office has copies of the Connection Fee Schedule(s) and Sanitation District boundary map(s) for your parcel(s). If you require verification of the Sanitation District in which your parcel is located, please call the Sanitation Districts' information number listed under Item IX below.

#### IV. WHAT FORMS ARE REQUIRED\*?

The Connection Fee application package consists of the following:

- 1. Information Sheet for Applicants (this form)
- 2. Application for Sewer Connection

3. Connection Fee Schedule with Sanitation District Map (one schedule for each Sanitation District)

#### V. WHAT DO I NEED TO FILE?

- 1. Completed Application Form
- 2. A complete set of architectural blueprints (not required for connecting one single family home)
- 3. Fee Payment (checks payable to: County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County)
- 4. Industrial applicants must file additional forms and follow the procedures as outlined in the application instructions

#### VI. WHERE DO I SUBMIT THE FORMS?

Residential, Commercial, and Institutional applicants should submit the above listed materials either by mail or in person to:

County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County Connection Fee Program, Room 130 1955 Workman Mill Road Whittier, CA 90601

Industrial applicants should submit the appropriate materials directly to the City or County office which will issue the sewer connection permit.

#### VII. HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE TO PROCESS MY APPLICATION?

Applications submitted by mail are generally processed and mailed within three working days of receipt. Applications brought in person are processed on the same day provided the application, supporting materials, and fee is satisfactory. Processing of large and/or complex projects may take longer.

#### VIII. HOW DO I OBTAIN MY SEWER PERMIT TO CONNECT?

An approved Application for Sewer Connection will be returned to the applicant after all necessary documents for processing have been submitted. Present this approved-stamped copy to the City or County Office issuing sewer connection permits for your area at the time you apply for actual sewer hookup.

#### IX. HOW CAN I GET ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?

If you require assistance or need additional information, please call the County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County at (562) 699-7411, extension 2727.

#### X. WHAT ARE THE DISTRICTS' WORKING HOURS?

The Districts' offices are open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on Friday, except holidays. When applying in person, applicants must be at the Connection Fee counter at least 30 minutes before closing time.

<sup>\*</sup>Additional forms are required for Industrial Dischargers.

#### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

DISTRICT 7, REGIONAL PLANNING IGR/CEQA BRANCH 100 MAIN STREET, MS # 16 LOS ANGELES, CA 90012-3606 PHONE: (213) 897-3747

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IGR/CEQA No. 050551AL, NOP Seaport Marina DEIR Vic. LA-01 / PM 0.59 SCH # 2005051096

May 31, 2005

Ms. Angela Reynolds City of Long Beach 333 W. Ocean Boulevard, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor Long Beach, CA 90802

Dear Ms. Reynolds:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the above referenced project.

To assist us in our efforts to evaluate the impacts of this project on State transportation facilities, a traffic study in advance of the DEIR should be prepared. We wish to refer the project's traffic consultant to our traffic study guideline Website:

http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/traffops/developserv/operationalsystems/reports/tisguide.pdf

and we list here some elements of what we generally are expecting in the traffic study:

- 1. Presentations of assumptions and methods used to develop trip generation, trip distribution, choice of travel mode, and assignments of trips to State Route 01, 22, 605 and 405.
- 2. Consistency of project travel modeling with other regional and local modeling forecasts and with travel data. The IGR/CEQA office may use indices to check results. Differences or inconsistencies must be thoroughly explained.
- 3. Analysis of ADT, AM and PM peak-hour volumes for both the existing and future conditions in the affected area. This should include freeways, interchanges, and intersections, and all HOV facilities. Interchange Level of Service should be specified (HCM2000 method requested). Utilization of transit lines and vehicles, and of all facilities, should be realistically estimated. Future conditions would include build-out of all projects (see next item) and any plan-horizon years.

- 4. Inclusion of all appropriate traffic volumes. Analysis should include traffic from the project, cumulative traffic generated from all specific approved developments in the area, and traffic growth other than from the project and developments. That is, include: existing + project + other projects + other growth.
- 5. Discussion of mitigation measures appropriate to alleviate anticipated traffic impacts. These mitigation discussions should include, but not be limited to, the following:
  - Description of Transportation Infrastructure Improvements
  - Financial Costs, Funding Sources and Financing
  - Sequence and Scheduling Considerations
  - Implementation Responsibilities, Controls, and Monitoring

Any mitigation involving transit, HOV, or TDM must be rigorously justified and its effects conservatively estimated. Improvements involving dedication of land or physical construction may be favorably considered.

6. Specification of developer's percent share of the cost, as well as a plan of realistic mitigation measures under the control of the developer. The following ratio should be estimated: additional traffic volume due to project implementation is divided by the total increase in the traffic volume (see Appendix "B" of the Guidelines). That ratio would be the project equitable share responsibility.

We note for purposes of determining project share of costs, the number of trips from the project on each traveling segment or element is estimated in the context of forecasted traffic volumes which include build-out of all approved and not yet approved projects, and other sources of growth. Analytical methods such as selectzone travel forecast modeling might be used.

The Department as commenting agency under CEQA has jurisdiction superceding that of MTA in identifying the freeway analysis needed for this project. Caltrans is responsible for obtaining measures that will off-set project vehicle trip generation that worsens Caltrans facilities and hence, it does not adhere to the CMP guide of 150 or more vehicle trips added before freeway analysis is needed. MTA's Congestion Management Program in acknowledging the Department's role, stipulates that Caltrans must be consulted to identify specific locations to be analyzed on the State Highway System. Therefore State Route(s) mentioned in item #1 and its facilities must be analyzed per the Department's Traffic Impact Study Guidelines.

We look forward to reviewing the traffic study. We expect to receive a copy from the State Clearinghouse when the DEIR is completed. However, to expedite the review process, and clarify any misunderstandings, you may send a copy in advance to the undersigned.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (213) 897-3747 or Alan Lin the project coordinator at (213) 897-8391 and refer to IGR/CEQA No. 050551AL.

Sincerely,

CHERYL J. POWELL

IGR/CEQA Branch Chief

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cc: Scott Morgan, State Clearinghouse

May 25, 2005

Ms. Angela Reynolds, Environmental Planning Officer City of Long Beach Department of Planning & Building 333 W. Ocean Boulevard, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor Long Beach, CA 90802

Dear Ms. Reynolds:

#### Notice of Preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report for Seaport Marina

The South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) appreciates the opportunity to comment on the above-mentioned document. The SCAQMD's comments are recommendations regarding the analysis of potential air quality impacts from the proposed project that should be included in the Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR). Please send the SCAQMD a copy of the Draft EIR upon its completion.

#### Air Quality Analysis

The SCAQMD adopted its California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Air Quality Handbook in 1993 to assist other public agencies with the preparation of air quality analyses. The SCAQMD recommends that the Lead Agency use this Handbook as guidance when preparing its air quality analysis. Copies of the Handbook are available from the SCAQMD's Subscription Services Department by calling (909) 396-3720. Alternatively, lead agency may wish to consider using the California Air Resources Board (CARB) approved URBEMIS 2002 Model. This model is available on the CARB Website at: <a href="https://www.arb.ca.gov">www.arb.ca.gov</a>.

The Lead Agency should identify any potential adverse air quality impacts that could occur from all phases of the project and all air pollutant sources related to the project. Air quality impacts from both construction and operations should be calculated. Construction-related air quality impacts typically include, but are not limited to, emissions from the use of heavy-duty equipment from grading, earth-loading/unloading, paving, architectural coatings, off-road mobile sources (e.g., heavy-duty construction equipment) and on-road mobile sources (e.g., construction worker vehicle trips, material transport trips). Operation-related air quality impacts may include, but are not limited to, emissions from stationary sources (e.g., boilers), area sources (e.g., solvents and coatings), and vehicular trips (e.g., on- and off-road tailpipe emissions and entrained dust). Air quality impacts from indirect sources, that is, sources that generate or attract vehicular trips should be included in the analysis. It is recommended that lead agencies for projects generating or

attracting vehicular trips, especially heavy-duty diesel-fueled vehicles, perform a mobile source health risk assessment. Guidance for performing a mobile source health risk assessment ("Health Risk Assessment Guidance for Analyzing Cancer Risk from Mobile Source Diesel Idling Emissions for CEQA Air Quality Analysis") can be found on the SCAQMD's CEQA webpages at the following internet address: <a href="http://www.aqmd.gov/ceqa/handbook/mobile\_toxic/diesel\_analysis.doc">http://www.aqmd.gov/ceqa/handbook/mobile\_toxic/diesel\_analysis.doc</a>. An analysis of all toxic air contaminant impacts due to the decommissioning or use of equipment potentially generating such air pollutants should also be included.

#### **Mitigation Measures**

In the event that the project generates significant adverse air quality impacts, CEQA requires that all feasible mitigation measures that go beyond what is required by law be utilized during project construction and operation to minimize or eliminate significant adverse air quality impacts. To assist the Lead Agency with identifying possible mitigation measures for the project, please refer to Chapter 11 of the SCAQMD CEQA Air Quality Handbook for sample air quality mitigation measures. Additionally, SCAQMD's Rule 403 – Fugitive Dust, and the Implementation Handbook contain numerous measures for controlling construction-related emissions that should be considered for use as CEQA mitigation if not otherwise required. Pursuant to state CEQA Guidelines §15126.4 (a)(1)(D), any impacts resulting from mitigation measures must also be discussed.

#### Data Sources

SCAQMD rules and relevant air quality reports and data are available by calling the SCAQMD's Public Information Center at (909) 396-2039. Much of the information available through the Public Information Center is also available via the SCAQMD's World Wide Web Homepage (<a href="http://www.aqmd.gov">http://www.aqmd.gov</a>).

The SCAQMD is willing to work with the Lead Agency to ensure that project-related emissions are accurately identified, categorized, and evaluated. Please call Charles Blankson, Ph.D., Air Quality Specialist, CEQA Section, at (909) 396-3304 if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

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# City of Seal Beach



June 13, 2005

Angela Reynolds, Environmental Planning Officer City of Long Beach Department of Planning and Building, 7th Floor 333 W. Ocean Boulevard Long Beach, CA 90802

SUBJECT: City of Seal Beach Comments re: Notice of Preparation of Draft EIR - "Seaport Marina Project"

Dear Ms. Reynolds:

The City of Seal Beach has reviewed the above referenced Notice of Preparation and has several general comments and observations relative to the document, which are set forth below.

The City of Seal Beach is concerned that the document, particularly Transportation/Traffic, appear to focus only on Long Beach, and does not appear to propose to fully consider and evaluate potential impacts to the City of Seal Beach, which is immediately adjacent. The City's position is that impacts in the below mentioned areas of concern will not stop at a county boundary line, but may, and probably will, extend into our community as well. The City of Seal Beach, in particular, would seem to be in a position to experience impacts from the proposed project, particularly in the area of "Transportation/Traffic".

Provided below are our concerns regarding the information and discussion within specified sections of the NOP:

#### DISCUSSION OF CHECKLIST RESPONSES

#### Item V. CULTURAL RESOURCES:

Items IV.b-d — Potential impacts to unique archaeological/paleontological resources; human remains

#### Concern of the City of Seal Beach:

The Environmental Evaluation Checklist indicates "Less than Significant Impact with Mitigation Incorporated". The City feels that response is proper, but has a concern that the imposition of mitigation measures to require on-site archaeological and Native American monitoring during grading activities to determine if any cultural resources, including human remains will be impacted due to project grading activities should be required due to the potential for buried resources to exist, unless the environmental review clearly indicates that all soil disturbance activities would occur in soil profiles previously disturbed by prior construction activities or within prior filled soil profiles.

This issue should be fully addressed with appropriate mitigation measures set forth relative to project grading monitoring activities, actions if cultural resources or human remains are discovered, and sensitive treatment if human remains are discovered.

#### Item XVI. TRANSPORTATION/TRAFFIC

The NOP indicates the DEIR will evaluate the traffic report to determine the project's impact on surrounding roadways.

#### Concern of the City of Seal Beach:

The City requests the traffic analysis impacts include those intersections within the City of Seal Beach which are impacted in accordance with the County of Orange Growth Management standards, which utilizes 1,700 vehicles per hour for lane capacity and a clearance interval of 0.05.

The impacts of all other cumulative projects within the project vicinity in the City of Long Beach should be thoroughly addressed. The impacts of the increased traffic from all appropriate projects in the City of Long Beach, along with those projects in the City of Seal Beach, including the previously approved Boeing Integrated Defense Systems Specific Plan, along with cumulative traffic impacts of regional trip increases should be thoroughly analyzed and proposed mitigation measures clearly set forth to resolve those problems.

The DEIR will not be adequate without discussion of the cumulative effects of traffic impacts on Pacific Coast Highway, the I-405 Freeway, Westminster Avenue, 7<sup>th</sup> Street, and Studebaker Road at the County boundary line, and as far distance from the County boundary line as is appropriate given the criteria set forth in the first paragraph of this comment. We wish to emphasize that vehicular access to the College Park West neighborhood in Seal Beach is through Studebaker Road and 7<sup>th</sup> Street. In addition, the reduced lane capacity of the Marina Drive Bridge should be reflected in the traffic analysis.

The City of Seal Beach has previously provided to your office a copy of the Traffic Study for the Boeing Integrated Defense Systems ("BIDS") Specific Plan, prepared by Linscott Law & Greenspan ("LL&G"), dated December 13, 2002 as a technical appendix to the BIDS Specific Plan Draft Environmental Impact Report. If you require an additional copy of this document, please contact the Department of Development Services.

Please be aware that the BIDS Specific Plan traffic impact analysis included a discussion of "Project-Related Fair Share Contribution" on pages 74 and 75 which discussed the net traffic impacts of the BIDS project to the intersections of Pacific Coast Highway/Westminster Avenue/Second Street and Westminster Avenue and Studebaker Road. A "fair-share" calculation was prepared and a "fair share" dollar contribution to the City of Long Beach was identified.

Mr. Jerry Olivera of the City of Long Beach spoke at the May 21, 2003 Planning Commission public hearing on the BIDS Specific Plan EIR, and indicated that the proposed mitigation was inadequate and that the identified fees may not be sufficient to cover the costs of the identified improvements, especially if right-of-way is required. In reviewing the Draft EIR for the Home Depot project within Long Beach, the mitigation measure proposed for Studebaker Road/West Second Street is the same in the traffic analysis of both project traffic studies, and appears to be consistent.

In regards to impacts at Pacific Coast Highway and West Second Street, the BIDS Specific Plan EIR assumed that improvements to that intersection would occur, and the City of Seal Beach adopted appropriate mitigation measures requiring the payment of "fair-share" expenses for proposed improvements at this intersection. The current Home Deport DIER indicates that the Home Depot project will result in a "significant, unavoidable impact" due to right-of-way constraints at this intersection. The Seaport Marina DEIR document should also specify what the right-of-way constraint is by describing the necessary actions to alleviate the impact and delineating the impact of such improvements on the specific properties that would be impacted if such mitigation were to be undertaken. If the current determination regarding this intersection is the ultimate decision of the City of Long Beach, then there would be no "nexus" for Seal Beach to require payment of those "fair-share" fees identified within the BIDS Specific Plan Final EIR for this intersection.

The City of Seal Beach requests that Long Beach provide a detailed traffic impact "fair share" calculation of all identified project- and cumulative projects impacts to the identified intersections. Such calculations to include the following major cost categories, including the appropriate cost assumptions, as identified in the LL&G traffic analysis for the BIDS Specific Plan EIR:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Home Deport Draft Environmental Impact Report, page 4.11-22

City of Seal Beach Comment Letter re: Notice of Preparation – Seaport Marina Project, Long Beach June 13, 2005

	Description of Improvement Area of Improvement Cost per square foot of street widening Number of signal corners Construction Cost estimate Construction Cost Estimate with 25% C Cost of Right-of-Way Construction Cost with Right-of-Way Project Fair Share Percent			1.4	
cur Sea pro	The above "fair share" calculation shall be prepared based on the identified cumulative impacts of the Home Depot project, the BIDS Specific Plan Project in Seal Beach, and for any other City of Long Beach or other identified cumulative projects that are identified in the traffic analysis as having a significant impact at the subject intersections.				
The Environmental Quality Control Board considered and discussed the NOP document on May 25, 2005, and authorized the Chairman to sign this letter. The City Council considered this matter on June 13, 2005 and authorized the mayor to sign this letter, representing the official comments of the City of Seal Beach.					
Thank you for your consideration of the comments of the City of Seal Beach. Please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Lee Whittenberg, Director of Development Services, City Hall, 211 Eighth Street, Seal Beach, 90740, telephone (562) 431-2527, extension 313, if you have any questions regarding this matter. In addition, please provide four (4) copies of the Draft EIR on this project to Mr. Whittenberg, so the City can have a copy available at City Hall and at each library within the City available for public review during the public comment period.					
Sincerely,			•		
<u>Charle</u> Mayor, Ci	ty of Seal Beach	Chairman Environme City of Sea	ntal Quality Contr	rol Board	
Distributio	on:				
Seal Beacl	h City Council h Planning Commission h Environmental Quality Control Board				

Director of Development Services

City Manager

#### Hansen, Deanna

From: Lisa\_Appling@longbeach.gov

Sent: Friday, June 10, 2005 10:31 AM

To: Hansen, Deanna

Subject: EIR reporet re Seaport Marina Hotel Site

Lisa Appling-Roque City of Long Beach Advance Planning Secretary 333 W. Ocean Blvd., 7th Floor Long Beach, CA 90802

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Angela Reynolds

To: Lisa Appling/CH/CLB@CLB

06/08/2005 02:41 PM

CC:

Subject: EIR reporet re Seaport Marina Hotel Site

#### **ESA**

Angela Reynolds, AICP Advance, Community & Environmental Planning Officer City of Long Beach (562) 570-6357

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CC:

06/03/2005 12:40 PM

Subject:

EIR reporet re Seaport Marina Hotel Site

#### Ms Reynolds:

I am a long time LB resident living near Studebaker and Anaheim Street.

It would seem obvious that the EIR report should include a study of the 'Studebaker extension' to alleviate traffic problems at PCH & 2nd street when the project is completed.

In fact, it would help alleviate traffic in the area of the tank farm where a major home supply outlet is planned. The present pattern of traffic at Studebaker and 2nd street is not good. The extension of Studebaker east of the Market Place connecting with an interchange at PCH seems the best of options whether or not the home supply outlet-the Seaport residential development and the present traffic without either=the best option is to complete the Studebaker Extension- as originally planned years ago. Wetlands vs people.

A.A. Wright

833 Roxanne Avenue

Long Beach, 90815

#### Hansen, Deanna

From: Lisa\_Appling@longbeach.gov

**Sent:** Friday, June 10, 2005 10:30 AM

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Subject: SeaPort Marina Project and EIR

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To: Angela\_Reynolds@longbeach.gov

cc: a.verret@att.net

06/04/2005 07:17 PM Subject: SeaPort Marina Project and EIR

Hi Angela,

I am sending this note to you on behalf of Alton Verret and myself. We live at: 8205 Marina Pacifica Drive N. Long Beach, CA 90803

We were not able to attend the EIR meeting last week but, we would like to voice our concern over the project that is being researched for the SeaPort Marina Property. Our concerns stem from our review of the EIR and the intense density of the project that Lennar is proposing to build on this site. We are not in favor of having a project go into this land area that would be beyond what would be appropriate for the community. Currently, the SeaPort Marina is not a garden spot, but having a large developer come in and over develop the land this close to our residence would create tremendous problems for us, our neighbors, the local businesses and also Long Beach. The traffic in the local area is excessive at this time and before any corporation looks to develop a land area such as this the traffic needs to be considered and how it is going to be dealt with due to increased density in the area.

Also, we do not see much in the way of benefits associated with a project as such, except for the corporation that will develop the property to reap the revenue off of selling the residential and commercial property. We believe that the strain on the local area for an already strained property area to include Long Beach government officials (fire, police, etc), the local utilities, and commercial businesses would not be beneficial at all. Without further understanding and getting Lennar to show the benefits that their project would bring to the local area and how they are going to deal with already strained infrastructure issues we are not in favor of this project going forward.

Please provide a return receipt of this email and that it will be considered.

We are looking forward to hearing from you.

Best Regards,

Kevin Deysenroth Deysenroth@aol.com (562) 596-6565 Phone (562) 305-8385 Mobile

#### Hansen, Deanna

From: Lisa\_Appling@longbeach.gov

Sent: Wednesday, June 08, 2005 1:38 PM

To: Hansen, Deanna Subject: Scoping Meeting

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Angela Reynolds

To: Lisa Appling/CH/CLB@CLB

06/08/2005 01:13 PM

CC:

Subject: Scoping Meeting

#### This goes to ESA

Angela Reynolds, AICP Advance, Community & Environmental Planning Officer City of Long Beach (562) 570-6357

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"Joe Sopo" <homes@joesopo.com>

To: "Umar M. & Catherine H. Siddigi" <angela\_reynolds@longbeach.gov>

05/26/2005 04:48 PM Subject: Scoping Meeting

CC:

#### Dear Angela,

I appreciated the scoping meeting yesterday. Here are some of my concerns about the proposed project. With the addition of 425 units in an already traffic impacted area, negative impacts will be experienced on surface streets from downtown Long Beach on the west, to Studebaker Blvd and the 22 freeway on ramp on the east. This does not take into account additional automobile traffic created by the construction of new retail at the proposed project site.

No project should be built until the Studebaker on ramp and off ramp at the 22 Freeway is improved and built to handle the increased traffic.

I believe the proposed project at 2nd St. and PCH and the proposed Home Depot project should both be included in the same EIR. Both projects will impact the same community for virtually the same reasons.

Sincerely,

Joe Sopo

#### Hansen, Deanna

From: Lisa\_Appling@longbeach.gov

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To: Hansen, Deanna

Subject: RE: my comments on EIR Seaport Hotel site

FYI

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RE: my comments on EIR Seaport Hotel site

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05/26/2005 02:34 PM

Subject: RE: my comments on EIR Seaport Hotel site

Angela,

I think you sent this to me by mistake.

From: Angela\_Reynolds@longbeach.gov [mailto:Angela\_Reynolds@longbeach.gov]

Sent: Thursday, May 26, 2005 12:51 PM

To: Lisa Williams

Subject: my comments on EIR Seaport Hotel site

Angela Reynolds, AICP
Advance, Community & Environmental Planning Officer

6/8/2005

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"JohnA" <johnaco@earthlink.net>

To: <angela\_reynolds@longbeach.gov>

cc:

05/24/2005 09:07 PM

Subject: my comments on EIR Seaport Hotel site

Hello, I live in College park Estates and have lived in Long Beach for the past 36 years.

I like the Idea of mixed use Residential and commercial on the Seaport/ marina site!!

Just make sure to have a nice looking project with good landscaping.

John Contreras 6312 Colorado st.



## COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY

1955 Workman Mill Road, Whittier, CA 90601-1400 Mailing Address: P.O. Box 4998, Whittier, CA 90607-4998

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JAMES F. STAHL Chief Engineer and General Manager

June 2, 2005

File No: 03-00.04-00

Ms. Angela Reynolds **Environmental Planning Officer** Department of Planning and Building City of Long Beach 333 West Ocean Boulevard, 7th Floor Long Beach, CA 90802

Dear Ms. Reynolds:

#### Seaport Marina Project

The County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County (Districts) received a Notice of Preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report for the subject project on May 20, 2005. The proposed development is located within the jurisdictional boundaries of District No. 3. We offer the following comments regarding sewerage service:

- The wastewater flow originating from the proposed project will discharge to a local sewer line, 1. which is not maintained by the Districts, for conveyance to the Districts' Marina Trunk Sewer, Section 4, located in the intersection of Marina Pacifica and Marina Drive. This 15-inch diameter trunk sewer has a design capacity of 1.4 million gallons per day (mgd) and conveyed a peak flow of 0.7 mgd when last measured in 2003.
- 2. The wastewater generated by the proposed project will be treated at the Joint Water Pollution Control Plant located in the City of Carson, which has a design capacity of 385 mgd and currently processes an average flow of 324.9 mgd.
- The expected average wastewater flow from the project site is 138,125 gallons per day. 3.
- 4. The Districts are empowered by the California Health and Safety Code to charge a fee for the privilege of connecting (directly or indirectly) to the Districts' Sewerage System or increasing the existing strength and/or quantity of wastewater attributable to a particular parcel or operation already connected. This connection fee is required to construct an incremental expansion of the Sewerage System to accommodate the proposed project, which will mitigate the impact of this project on the present Sewerage System. Payment of a connection fee will be required before a permit to connect to the sewer is issued. A copy of the Connection Fee Information Sheet is enclosed for your convenience. For more specific information regarding the connection fee application procedure and fees, please contact the Connection Fee Counter at extension 2727.

5. In order for the Districts to conform to the requirements of the Federal Clean Air Act (CAA), the design capacities of the Districts' wastewater treatment facilities are based on the regional growth forecast adopted by the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG). Specific policies included in the development of the SCAG regional growth forecast are incorporated into the Air Quality Management Plan, which is prepared by the South Coast Air Quality Management District in order to improve air quality in the South Coast Air Basin as mandated by the CAA. All expansions of Districts' facilities must be sized and service phased in a manner that will be consistent with the SCAG regional growth forecast for the counties of Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, Riverside, Ventura, and Imperial. The available capacity of the Districts' treatment facilities will, therefore, be limited to levels associated with the approved growth identified by SCAG. As such, this letter does not constitute a guarantee of wastewater service, but is to advise you that the Districts intend to provide this service up to the levels that are legally permitted and to inform you of the currently existing capacity and any proposed expansion of the Districts' facilities.

If you have any questions, please contact the undersigned at (562) 699-7411, extension 2717.

Very truly yours,

James F. Stahl

Ruth I. Frazen

**Engineering Technician** 

Planning & Property Management Section

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Enclosure

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# INFORMATION SHEET FOR APPLICANTS PROPOSING TO CONNECT OR INCREASE THEIR DISCHARGE TO THE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY SEWERAGE SYSTEM

#### THE PROGRAM

The County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County are empowered by the California Health and Safety Code to charge a fee for the privilege of connecting to a Sanitation District's sewerage system. Your connection to a City or County sewer constitutes a connection to a Sanitation District's sewerage system as these sewers flow into a Sanitation District's system. The County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County provide for the conveyance, treatment, and disposal of your wastewater. PAYMENT OF A CONNECTION FEE TO THE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY WILL BE REQUIRED BEFORE A CITY OR THE COUNTY WILL ISSUE YOU A PERMIT TO CONNECT TO THE SEWER.

#### I. WHO IS REQUIRED TO PAY A CONNECTION FEE?

- 1. Anyone connecting to the sewerage system for the first time for any structure located on a parcel(s) of land within a County Sanitation District of Los Angeles County.
- 2. Anyone increasing the quantity of wastewater discharged due to the construction of additional dwelling units on or a change in land usage of a parcel already connected to the sewerage system.
- 3. Anyone increasing the improvement square footage of a commercial or institutional parcel by more than 25 percent.
- 4. Anyone increasing the quantity and/or strength of wastewater from an industrial parcel.
- 5. If you qualify for an Ad Valorem Tax or Demolition Credit, connection fee will be adjusted accordingly.

#### II. HOW ARE THE CONNECTION FEES USED?

The connection fees are used to provide additional conveyance, treatment, and disposal facilities (capital facilities) which are made necessary by new users connecting to a Sanitation District's sewerage system or by existing users who significantly increase the quantity or strength of their wastewater discharge. The Connection Fee Program insures that all users pay their fair share for any necessary expansion of the system.

#### III. HOW MUCH IS MY CONNECTION FEE?

Your connection fee can be determined from the Connection Fee Schedule specific to the Sanitation District in which your parcel(s) to be connected is located. A Sanitation District boundary map is attached to each corresponding Sanitation District Connection Fee Schedule. Your City or County sewer permitting office has copies of the Connection Fee Schedule(s) and Sanitation District boundary map(s) for your parcel(s). If you require verification of the Sanitation District in which your parcel is located, please call the Sanitation Districts' information number listed under Item IX below.

#### IV. WHAT FORMS ARE REQUIRED\*?

The Connection Fee application package consists of the following:

- 1. Information Sheet for Applicants (this form)
- 2. Application for Sewer Connection

 Connection Fee Schedule with Sanitation District Map (one schedule for each Sanitation District)

\*Additional forms are required for Industrial Dischargers.

#### V. WHAT DO I NEED TO FILE?

- 1. Completed Application Form
- 2. A complete set of architectural blueprints (not required for connecting one single family home)
- 3. Fee Payment (checks payable to: County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County)
- 4. Industrial applicants must file additional forms and follow the procedures as outlined in the application instructions

#### VI. WHERE DO I SUBMIT THE FORMS?

Residential, Commercial, and Institutional applicants should submit the above listed materials either by mail or in person to:

County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County Connection Fee Program, Room 130 1955 Workman Mill Road Whittier, CA 90601

Industrial applicants should submit the appropriate materials directly to the City or County office which will issue the sewer connection permit.

#### VII. HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE TO PROCESS MY APPLICATION?

Applications submitted by mail are generally processed and mailed within three working days of receipt. Applications brought in person are processed on the same day provided the application, supporting materials, and fee is satisfactory. Processing of large and/or complex projects may take longer.

#### VIII. HOW DO I OBTAIN MY SEWER PERMIT TO CONNECT?

An approved Application for Sewer Connection will be returned to the applicant after all necessary documents for processing have been submitted. Present this approved-stamped copy to the City or County Office issuing sewer connection permits for your area at the time you apply for actual sewer hookup.

#### IX. HOW CAN I GET ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?

If you require assistance or need additional information, please call the County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County at (562) 699-7411, extension 2727.

#### X. WHAT ARE THE DISTRICTS' WORKING HOURS?

The Districts' offices are open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on Friday, except holidays. When applying in person, applicants must be at the Connection Fee counter at least 30 minutes before closing time.

May 25, 2005

Ms. Angela Reynolds, Environmental Planning Officer City of Long Beach Department of Planning & Building 333 W. Ocean Boulevard, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor Long Beach, CA 90802

Dear Ms. Reynolds:

#### Notice of Preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report for Seaport Marina

The South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) appreciates the opportunity to comment on the above-mentioned document. The SCAQMD's comments are recommendations regarding the analysis of potential air quality impacts from the proposed project that should be included in the Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR). Please send the SCAQMD a copy of the Draft EIR upon its completion.

#### **Air Quality Analysis**

The SCAQMD adopted its California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Air Quality Handbook in 1993 to assist other public agencies with the preparation of air quality analyses. The SCAQMD recommends that the Lead Agency use this Handbook as guidance when preparing its air quality analysis. Copies of the Handbook are available from the SCAQMD's Subscription Services Department by calling (909) 396-3720. Alternatively, lead agency may wish to consider using the California Air Resources Board (CARB) approved URBEMIS 2002 Model. This model is available on the CARB Website at: <a href="https://www.arb.ca.gov">www.arb.ca.gov</a>.

The Lead Agency should identify any potential adverse air quality impacts that could occur from all phases of the project and all air pollutant sources related to the project. Air quality impacts from both construction and operations should be calculated. Construction-related air quality impacts typically include, but are not limited to, emissions from the use of heavy-duty equipment from grading, earth-loading/unloading, paving, architectural coatings, off-road mobile sources (e.g., heavy-duty construction equipment) and on-road mobile sources (e.g., construction worker vehicle trips, material transport trips). Operation-related air quality impacts may include, but are not limited to, emissions from stationary sources (e.g., boilers), area sources (e.g., solvents and coatings), and vehicular trips (e.g., on- and off-road tailpipe emissions and entrained dust). Air quality impacts from indirect sources, that is, sources that generate or attract vehicular trips should be included in the analysis. It is recommended that lead agencies for projects generating or

attracting vehicular trips, especially heavy-duty diesel-fueled vehicles, perform a mobile source health risk assessment. Guidance for performing a mobile source health risk assessment ("Health Risk Assessment Guidance for Analyzing Cancer Risk from Mobile Source Diesel Idling Emissions for CEQA Air Quality Analysis") can be found on the SCAQMD's CEQA webpages at the following internet address: <a href="http://www.aqmd.gov/ceqa/handbook/mobile\_toxic/diesel\_analysis.doc">http://www.aqmd.gov/ceqa/handbook/mobile\_toxic/diesel\_analysis.doc</a>. An analysis of all toxic air contaminant impacts due to the decommissioning or use of equipment potentially generating such air pollutants should also be included.

#### **Mitigation Measures**

In the event that the project generates significant adverse air quality impacts, CEQA requires that all feasible mitigation measures that go beyond what is required by law be utilized during project construction and operation to minimize or eliminate significant adverse air quality impacts. To assist the Lead Agency with identifying possible mitigation measures for the project, please refer to Chapter 11 of the SCAQMD CEQA Air Quality Handbook for sample air quality mitigation measures. Additionally, SCAQMD's Rule 403 – Fugitive Dust, and the Implementation Handbook contain numerous measures for controlling construction-related emissions that should be considered for use as CEQA mitigation if not otherwise required. Pursuant to state CEQA Guidelines §15126.4 (a)(1)(D), any impacts resulting from mitigation measures must also be discussed.

#### **Data Sources**

SCAQMD rules and relevant air quality reports and data are available by calling the SCAQMD's Public Information Center at (909) 396-2039. Much of the information available through the Public Information Center is also available via the SCAQMD's World Wide Web Homepage (<a href="http://www.aqmd.gov">http://www.aqmd.gov</a>).

The SCAQMD is willing to work with the Lead Agency to ensure that project-related emissions are accurately identified, categorized, and evaluated. Please call Charles Blankson, Ph.D., Air Quality Specialist, CEQA Section, at (909) 396-3304 if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

Steve Smith, Ph.D.

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Program Supervisor, CEQA Section

Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources

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#### Arnold Schwarzenegger Governor

#### STATE OF CALIFORNIA

# Governor's Office of Planning and Research State Clearinghouse and Planning Unit



Sean Walsh Director

June 1, 2005

Angela Reynolds City of Long Beach 333 W. Ocean Boulevard, 7th Floor Long Beach, CA 90802

Subject: Sierra Hotel Project (Supplemental EIR-14-04)

SCH#: 2004111127

Dear Angela Reynolds:

The State Clearinghouse submitted the above named Supplemental EIR to selected state agencies for review. The review period closed on May 31, 2005, and no state agencies submitted comments by that date. This letter acknowledges that you have complied with the State Clearinghouse review requirements for draft environmental documents, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act.

Please call the State Clearinghouse at (916) 445-0613 if you have any questions regarding the environmental review process. If you have a question about the above-named project, please refer to the ten-digit State Clearinghouse number when contacting this office.

Sincerely,

Terry Roberts

Director, State Clearinghouse

Jerry Roberts

#### **Document Details Report** State Clearinghouse Data Base

SCH# 2004111127

Project Title Sierra Hotel Project (Supplemental EIR-14-04)

Lead Agency Long Beach, City of

> Type SIR Supplemental EIR

Description Construction of a 7-story, 140-room hotel building on a vacant lot located on the east side of Cedar

> Avenue between Seaside Way and Bay Street as part of the Pike at Rainbow Harbor commercial complex. Parking will be provided by the existing multi-level parking structure located west of Cedar

Avenue and south of Seaside Way.

**Lead Agency Contact** 

Name Angela Reynolds Agency City of Long Beach

(562) 570-6357 Phone

email

Address 333 W. Ocean Boulevard, 7th Floor

City Long Beach Fax

State CA Zip 90802

**Project Location** 

County Los Angeles

Long Beach City

Region

Cross Streets Bay Street / Cedar Avenue

7278-010-920 Parcel No.

Township Range Section Base

**Proximity to:** 

Highways **Airports** Railways

Waterways

Los Angeles River

Schools

Land Use

Vacant

Z: PD-6, Subarea 5 GP: LUD #7 Mixed Use

Project Issues

Aesthetic/Visual; Air Quality; Landuse; Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading; Toxic/Hazardous;

Traffic/Circulation

Reviewing Agencies Resources Agency; Regional Water Quality Control Board, Region 4; Department of Parks and Recreation; Native American Heritage Commission; Department of Health Services; Department of

Fish and Game, Region 5; Department of Water Resources; California Highway Patrol; Caltrans,

District 7; Department of Toxic Substances Control

**Date Received** 04/14/2005

Start of Review 04/14/2005

End of Review 05/31/2005

Note: Blanks in data fields result from insufficient information provided by lead agency.

#### Hansen, Deanna

From: Lisa\_Appling@longbeach.gov

**Sent:** Tuesday, June 21, 2005 3:38 PM

To: Hansen, Deanna Subject: Seaport Marina

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**Scott Giles** 

To: Angela Reynolds/CH/CLB@CLB

CC:

06/20/2005 11:22 AM

Subject:

Seaport Marina

#### Hi Angela,

Here are some of the answers to the questions ESA proposed to us. Let me know if you need anything else from Chief Teran or myself.

Scott Giles Deputy Chief / Fire Marshal Long Beach Fire Department (562) 570-2579



# Long Beach Fire Department MEMORANDUM

Date:

June 8, 2005

To:

Angela Reynolds

From:

Scott Giles, Deputy Chief / Fire Marshal

Subject:

Seaport Marina Village Project

- 1. The stations serving the proposed site, in order of response are:
  - Station 8, 5365 East 2<sup>nd</sup> Street
  - Station 14, 5200 Eliot Street
  - Station 22, 6340 Atherton Street
  - Station 4, 411 Loma Avenue
  - Station 17, 2241 Argonne Avenue (provides the first due truck company)
  - The first-due engine (Engine 8) currently arrives at scene in the vicinity of the proposed site w/i 4 minutes of dispatch
- 2. Additional stations or equipment is not anticipated
- 3. The anticipated fire flow requirement for this project is approximately 6500 gallons per minute. This requirement is approximate, as there was not enough information regarding the buildings to accurately determine the fire flow. The fire flow was determined by taking the overall commercial area of 170,000 and dividing by three, as it wasn't clear if all buildings were connected, and the map provided appeared to show three groups of buildings. The above fire flow requirement may be reduced up to 50% if fire sprinklers are installed, for an adjusted fire flow requirement of 3250 gallons per minute.
- 4. The project area is readily served by two stations (8 and 14). Station 8 houses a single engine company. Station 14 houses an engine company and a paramedic rescue ambulance. Truck company coverage is provided from Station 17 which is a distance from the project site.
  - All Fire Department engine and truck companies are staffed with four firefighters. Paramedic rescue staffing is two firefighter/paramedics.
- 5. The Fire Department provides BLS and ALS first-response and currently provides ALS transportation via Fire Department rescue ambulances. BLS transportation is provided by contract with a private company, however the department anticipates assuming these duties within the next few months.

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- 6. The nearest hospitals to the site are:
  - · Community Hospital of Long Beach
  - Los Alamitos General Hospital
  - · St Mary Medical Center
- 7 & 8. Additional Fire Department requirements that may affect this project are:

Minimum 26-foot access road widths.

Minimum 28 foot inside turning radius on access roads.

125 psi required at the discharge of all Class 1 standpipe valves in buildings 4 or more stories, or where installed.

Residential fire sprinkler systems conforming to NFPA 13R will not be allowed in residential portions of buildings that are built on top of commercial retail, office, parking, etc spaces, these systems shall be commercial sprinkler systems conforming to NFPA 13.

#### Hansen, Deanna

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**Sent:** Tuesday, June 21, 2005 3:38 PM

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Seaport Marina Hotel Development

#### **ESA**

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#### Angela:

I question if enough parking is available for 400+ residential units, plus the commercial usage, for the proposed Marina Seaport hotel development.

I live in the Marina Pacifica condo development (across the street from this proposed development). With 550 residential units in my condo, and knowing our parking requirements in my condo, I don't see how enough parking can be made available for the new development.

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June 13, 2005

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Re: Seaport Marina Project - Comments

Dear Angela:

I am a longtime resident of Long Beach and I am concerned about development in the south east area of Long Beach know as the South East Area Development and Improvement Plan (SEADIP), and the lack of adherence to standards provided in the SEADIP. The proposed Seaport Marina project, as noted in the NOP, as well as several other projects and undeveloped sites, are in this development area.

#### **Traffic**

Traffic is by far one of the biggest concerns as it relates to the current levels of development and any proposed future development in the SEADIP area. Spend time in this area of the city and you will quickly find that current levels of service provided by the present roadways are inadequate based on existing development levels. Any additional development without serious traffic mitigation measures would be very irresponsible and devastating to the area.

If you take a brief look at some of the most recent development activity in the SEADIP area you will see that these developments did very little, if any, in terms of mitigating traffic congestion. It is very clear that the following developments have already seriously contributed to our traffic problems that exist today. There are probably more that I have not considered:

- Wild Oats retail center
- Marina Pacifica shopping center re-development
- · Spinnaker Bay area new housing
- In-N-Out Burger

With all of the potential new development prospects for the SEADIP area listed below, it is critical that all future development be planned in a comprehensive and well thought out manner:

- Home Depot retail center
- Marina Shores East
- · Other open areas located in the SEADIP, prime for development

As in the past, it appears that each currently proposed development is again standing on its own, without consideration of the collective impact of all proposed and likely future developments. Based on this piecemeal development approach, it should be no surprise to anyone that the other development proposals will also not offer any meaningful mitigation to the existing or projected traffic congestion.

A current example of this piecemeal development strategy that is making its way through the process is the proposed Home Depot development. The EIR for the project states that there are "no feasible improvements that would mitigate this project's impact on this facility" referring to roads. Specifically it is referring to the ramps onto the 22, 405, and 605 freeways and the intersections of 7<sup>th</sup> Street and PCH, 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and PCH. Even though it states in the EIR that the traffic impact will be "significant and adverse" there is no substantive traffic congestion mitigation measures proposed for the project, and yet the project continues to move forward.

The south east portion of Long Beach, Seal Beach, and most other surrounding communities use the Studebaker onramp that feeds to the 22, 405, and 605 freeways. It is currently inadequate as a major artery to these communities. The City of Long Beach in coordination with Caltrans (State of California) and developers should bring this vital corridor, including the bridge over the Los Cerritos channel, up to service levels currently needed and will be crucial as these communities are completely developed. Until this happens, the areas mentioned cannot handle additional development.

The SEADIP document states the following:

"Besides constraints imposed by the nature environment, there are a number of planning constraints that must be addressed. Traffic considerations are prime among these. The highway-access advantages sited above also have the distinct disadvantages of forcing large volumes of traffic through the area primarily between Orange County residential communities and long Beach and educational centers. Traffic congestion thus imposes a constraint on development density."

#### **Seaport Marina Density:**

It is an opinion shared by many that the re-development of the old and tired Seaport Hotel will be a welcomed improvement to the area.

However, the density of this mixed use project, which includes 425 residential units, 170,000 feet of retail space and the 50 foot height of the project, is of grave concern. The housing units are very high density for an upscale area of the city. This proposed development represents about 30% of all housing units on the entire island of Naples just adjacent.

I believe the Marina Seaport development as proposed is out of character for the area and should be downscaled. Without significant mitigation to traffic congestion, this site would be over developed on its own merits. If you consider the totality of other proposed area developments and the general character of other existing area developments, 425 housing units, 170,000 feet of retail and 50 foot high buildings towering over Alamitos Bay is a completely unsuitable proposition.

If a properly scaled, mixed use project does come to fruition, and I hope it does, I think it would be paramount that this new development be connected with the Marketplace retail area by a pedestrian bridge similar to the bridge connecting South Coast Plaza with the Crystal Court in Orange County. This would minimize pedestrian traffic on the PCH and 2<sup>nd</sup> street intersection and create a retail destination area with a much enhanced profile. An architecturally attractive pedestrian bridge over PCH would draw in traffic on its own.

#### **Compliance with SEADIP:**

As a residential developer, I am pro-development, as long as it is conducted in a thoughtful and comprehensive manner complying with the current standards of the area.

Beginning on page 1 of the SEADIP Plan (PD-1) document, provisions applying to all areas included in the SEADIP are clearly spelled out. Paragraph A #4 includes the following:

"A minimum of thirty percent of the site shall be developed and maintained as usable open space (building footprint, streets, parking areas and sidewalks adjacent to streets shall not be considered open space. Bicycle and pedestrian trails not included within the public right-of-way may be considered usable open space.)"

From my review of the Seaport Marina site plan provided by Lennar Homes of California, and included as part of the NOP, it is apparent that the project as proposed and described is not in compliance with this provision of the SEADIP that requires 30% open space. In the Project Description section of the NOP it states that the buildings would have a maximum height of 50 feet. Paragraph A #5 of the SEADIP Plan (PD-1) document reads as follows:

"The maximum heights of building shall be 30 feet for residential uses and 35 feet for non-residential used unless otherwise provided herein."

I could not find anywhere in the SEADIP Plan (PD1) document where it allowed for building heights in excess of 35 feet. It seems that the project as proposed and described in the NOP is not in compliance with this provision of the SEADIP.

There is another development document called the Local Coastal Plan (LCP) excerpt SEADIP that has relevance to all development in the SEADIP area. This document summarizes as follows:

"The South East Area Development and Improvement Plan embraces the last large area of the City of Long Beach that is not fully yet developed. Some of the choicest sites have already been developed, but without the development of the overall plan for the entire 1,500 acre section. It is the purpose of this document to present an integrated specific plan for the continuing development of this important area of the city."

It goes on the say:

"Development of the subject area must be comprehensive and integrated, with a balance sought between the issues of land use, density, traffic, environmental issues, and fiscal impacts."

Continued piecemeal development and single project approval by the City of Long Beach, without requiring developers to improve roads and other infrastructure to service higher density development, is irresponsible and not consistent with the SEADIP plan that was forged many years ago. The City of Long Beach needs to halt all currently proposed and future development in the SEADIP area until they can adhere to the more comprehensive and integrated approach to east Long Beach development as required by the SEADIP master plan.

If the City of Long Beach does not take a broad perspective of the total area development and the related infrastructure improvements that are required, one day we will wake up with hundreds, if not thousands of additional housing units, and hundreds of thousands of added retail space without any traffic mitigation paid for by the very developers that will profit from our community development. The citizens, and the City of Long Beach will be left with the problems, and the developers and their profits will be nowhere to be found.

Loren L. Miller

Sincerely

cc: Naples Improvement Association (NIA)

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#### Ms Reynolds:

I am a long time LB resident living near Studebaker and Anaheim Street.

It would seem obvious that the EIR report should include a study of the 'Studebaker extension' to alleviate traffic problems at PCH & 2nd street when the project is completed.

In fact, it would help alleviate traffic in the area of the tank farm where a major home supply outlet is planned. The present pattern of traffic at Studebaker and 2nd street is not good. The extension of Studebaker east of the Market Place connecting with an interchange at PCH seems the best of options whether or not the home supply outlet-the Seaport residential development and the present traffic without either=the best option is to complete the Studebaker Extension- as originally planned years ago. Wetlands vs people.

A.A. Wright

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Hi Angela,

I am sending this note to you on behalf of Alton Verret and myself. We live at: 8205 Marina Pacifica Drive N. Long Beach, CA 90803

We were not able to attend the EIR meeting last week but, we would like to voice our concern over the project that is being researched for the SeaPort Marina Property. Our concerns stem from our review of the EIR and the intense density of the project that Lennar is proposing to build on this site. We are not in favor of having a project go into this land area that would be beyond what would be appropriate for the community. Currently, the SeaPort Marina is not a garden spot, but having a large developer come in and over develop the land this close to our residence would create tremendous problems for us, our neighbors, the local businesses and also Long Beach. The traffic in the local area is excessive at this time and before any corporation looks to develop a land area such as this the traffic needs to be considered and how it is going to be dealt with due to increased density in the area.

Also, we do not see much in the way of benefits associated with a project as such, except for the corporation that will develop the property to reap the revenue off of selling the residential and commercial property. We believe that the strain on the local area for an already strained property area to include Long Beach government officials (fire, police, etc), the local utilities, and commercial businesses would not be beneficial at all. Without further understanding and getting Lennar to show the benefits that their project would bring to the local area and how they are going to deal with already strained infrastructure issues we are not in favor of this project going forward.

Please provide a return receipt of this email and that it will be considered.

We are looking forward to hearing from you.

Best Regards,

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05/26/2005 02:34 PM

Subject: RE: my comments on EIR Seaport Hotel site-

Angela,

I think you sent this to me by mistake.

From: Angela\_Reynolds@longbeach.gov [mailto:Angela\_Reynolds@longbeach.gov]

Sent: Thursday, May 26, 2005 12:51 PM

To: Lisa Williams

Subject: my comments on EIR Seaport Hotel site

Angela Reynolds, AICP Advance, Community & Environmental Planning Officer City of Long Beach (562) 570-6357

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"JohnA" <johnaco@earthlink.net>

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05/24/2005 09:07 PM

Subject: my comments on EIR Seaport Hotel site

Hello, I live in College park Estates and have lived in Long Beach for the past 36 years.

I like the Idea of mixed use Residential and commercial on the Seaport/marina site!!

Just make sure to have a nice looking project with good landscaping.

John Contreras 6312 Colorado st.

#### Hansen, Deanna

From: Lisa\_Appling@longbeach.gov

Sent: Wednesday, June 08, 2005 1:38 PM

To: Hansen, Deanna Subject: Scoping Meeting

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To: "Umar M. & Catherine H. Siddiqi" <angela\_reynolds@longbeach.gov>

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05/26/2005 04:48 PM

Subject: Scoping Meeting

#### Dear Angela,

I appreciated the scoping meeting yesterday. Here are some of my concerns about the proposed project. With the addition of 425 units in an already traffic impacted area, negative impacts will be experienced on surface streets from downtown Long Beach on the west, to Studebaker Blvd and the 22 freeway on ramp on the east. This does not take into account additional automobile traffic created by the construction of new retail at the proposed project site.

No project should be built until the Studebaker on ramp and off ramp at the 22 Freeway is improved and built to handle the increased traffic.

I believe the proposed project at 2nd St. and PCH and the proposed Home Depot project should both be included in the same EIR. Both projects will impact the same community for virtually the same reasons.

Sincerely,

Joe Sopo

## Scoping Meeting Notes



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#### PROJECT SPECIFIC COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

Comment: What about water table? Building parking structure will be constructed like a boat and heavy de-watering will be completed for the site.

Comment: How many stories is 50 feet? Four stories.

Comment: What is the make up of the residential units? *Combination of lofts flats and town homes – not fully defined.* 

Comment: How many scoping meetings? Not one on the weekend? *One* (today's)—none are required by CEQA.

Comment: Parking requirement? Project will meet City code requirements.

Comment: Surprised about mixture of residential and commercial due to heavy commercial in the area? *Site is in the SEADIP zoning with underlying zoning commercial.* 

Comment: Where does Coastal Commission fit into the approval? Would go through the City process and then would go through the coastal Commission process

Comment: How long does the process take? End of this year beginning of 2006 to go through the City process

Comment: How long will construction take? 22 to 24 months (Summer 2009)

Comment: What is the zone change? *To allow commercial*.

Comment: What type of commercial will be included? Any department store? *Upscale retail (Crate and Barrel, Tommy Bahama) – no department store.* 

Comment: Any hotel? *No*.

Comment: Is there any other project proposed for the project? *None*.

Comment: Price points for residential? *Mid to high \$500K*.

Comment: Is there anything to do with the Studebaker extension? *Not part of project*.

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#### **ENVIRONMENTAL COMMENTS/QUESTIONS**

#### Aesthetics

Comment: Construction fence? To block site during construction activities. *Yes, will include as mitigation.* 

Comment: Four stories throughout the whole project? *No – will be varied.* 

Comment: Has Lennar built any other projects that are similar? Website? Yes to similar projects, not sure about website.

Comment: What architectural theme is planned? *Description will be included in the EIR*.

#### Agriculture

NA

#### Air Quality

Comment: Particulate matter from construction equipment? Control of emissions, particulates, need for BMPs. *Will be discussed in EIR*.

#### Cultural Resources

Comment: In the event human bones were found, what happens? *Contractor has to stop work and coroner's office is notified and determines whether it is human origin – if human then contact Native American organizations to contact local interest, and jointly determine with coroner if it is a burial ground. Will be discussed in EIR.* 

#### Geology/Soils

Comment: Proximity to faults? Will be discussed in the EIR.

#### **Hazardous Materials**

Comment: Identification of hazardous materials in Phase I. Will be discussed in the EIR.

#### Hydrology

Comment: Was this area in a flood zone before the raising of the LA and San Gabriel Rivers? Now? *Will be discussed in the EIR*.

Comment: Percolation? *Depends on impervious surface and meet NPDES requirements.* Will be discussed in the EIR.

#### Land Use

Comment: Density – how does that compare to surrounding areas (Marina Pacifica)? *Will be discussed in the EIR.* 

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#### **NPDES**

See hydrology.

#### Noise

Comment: Concerns regarding construction and operational noise. Will be discussed in the EIR.

Comment: Currently there are trucks that use Loynes Drive – although there are signs that limit? Concern regarding construction trucks using that route. *Will be discussed in the EIR*.

Comment: Air traffic patterns – related to law enforcement heliocopters, will they increase? *Will be discussed in the EIR*.

#### Population/Housing

See land use.

#### **Public Services**

Will be discussed in the EIR.

#### Recreation

Comment: Will recreation uses be provided on the site? Will be discussed in the EIR.

#### **Transportation**

Comment: How many cars will be on the road? Will be discussed in the EIR.

Comment: What is the difference compared to traffic impact of commercial and residential? *Will be discussed in the EIR*.

Comment: Intersection at 2<sup>nd</sup> and PCH – gridlock – LOS F? How can it be improved? *Will be discussed in the EIR.* 

Comment: Traffic – will the project analysis look beyond the 2<sup>nd</sup> and PCH intersection – looks the regional area. For the corridor? Ocean Boulevard to 2<sup>nd</sup> and surrounding residential neighborhoods? *Will be discussed in the EIR*.

Comment: Is it true that PCH is controlled by state? How is that figured into mitigation for the project? *Will be discussed in the EIR*.

Comment: One of the problems is pedestrians and slowing down traffic? Mitigating pedestrian traffic with pedestrian bridges? *Will be discussed in the EIR*.

Comment: PCH/2<sup>nd</sup> – busiest intersection in Long Beach? *In CIP to be worked on and improvements will be discussed in the EIR.* 

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Comment: Emergency access – due to traffic (especially from Naples? *Will be discussed in the EIR*.

Comment: Alameda Street and going east to 7<sup>th</sup> street during peak times? Any plans to enlarge on-ramp – Caltrans controlled facility and no plans to re-configure. How does the City influence Caltrans to mitigate impacts to their intersections? *Will be discussed in the EIR*.

Comment: The proposed Home Depot project must be included in the traffic study. *Analysis will discuss all related projects*.

Comment: Plans for area across PCH – Christmas tree lot in the winter? How can PCH handle another retail use in the area? *Will be discussed in the EIR*.

#### <u>Utilities</u>

Comment: Given the tentative nature of the electrical power grid in southern California, perhaps you would consider some solar power generating component in your development. I believe it would be a strong selling point. *Will be discussed in the EIR*.